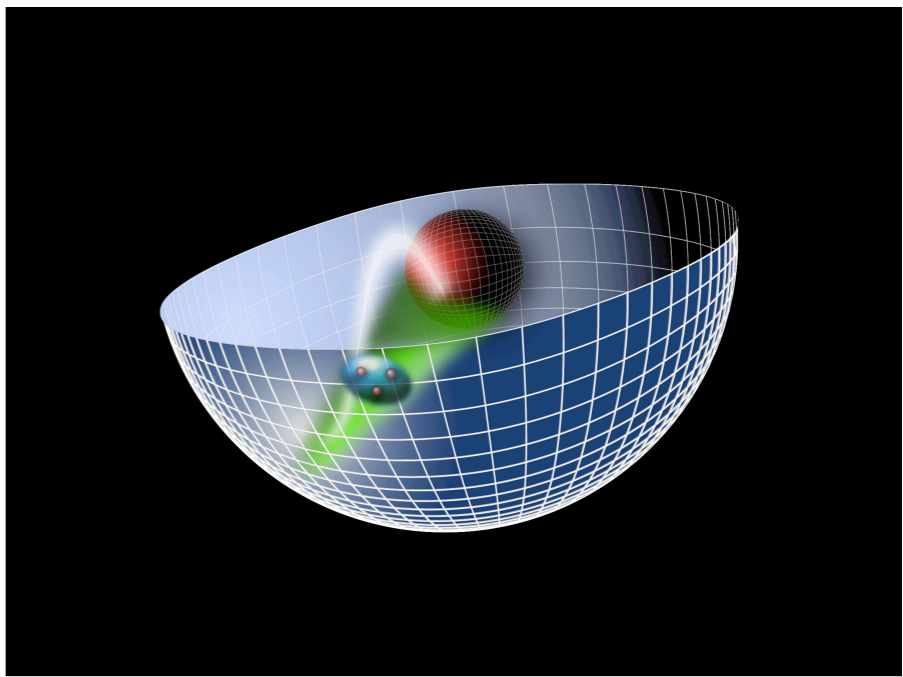
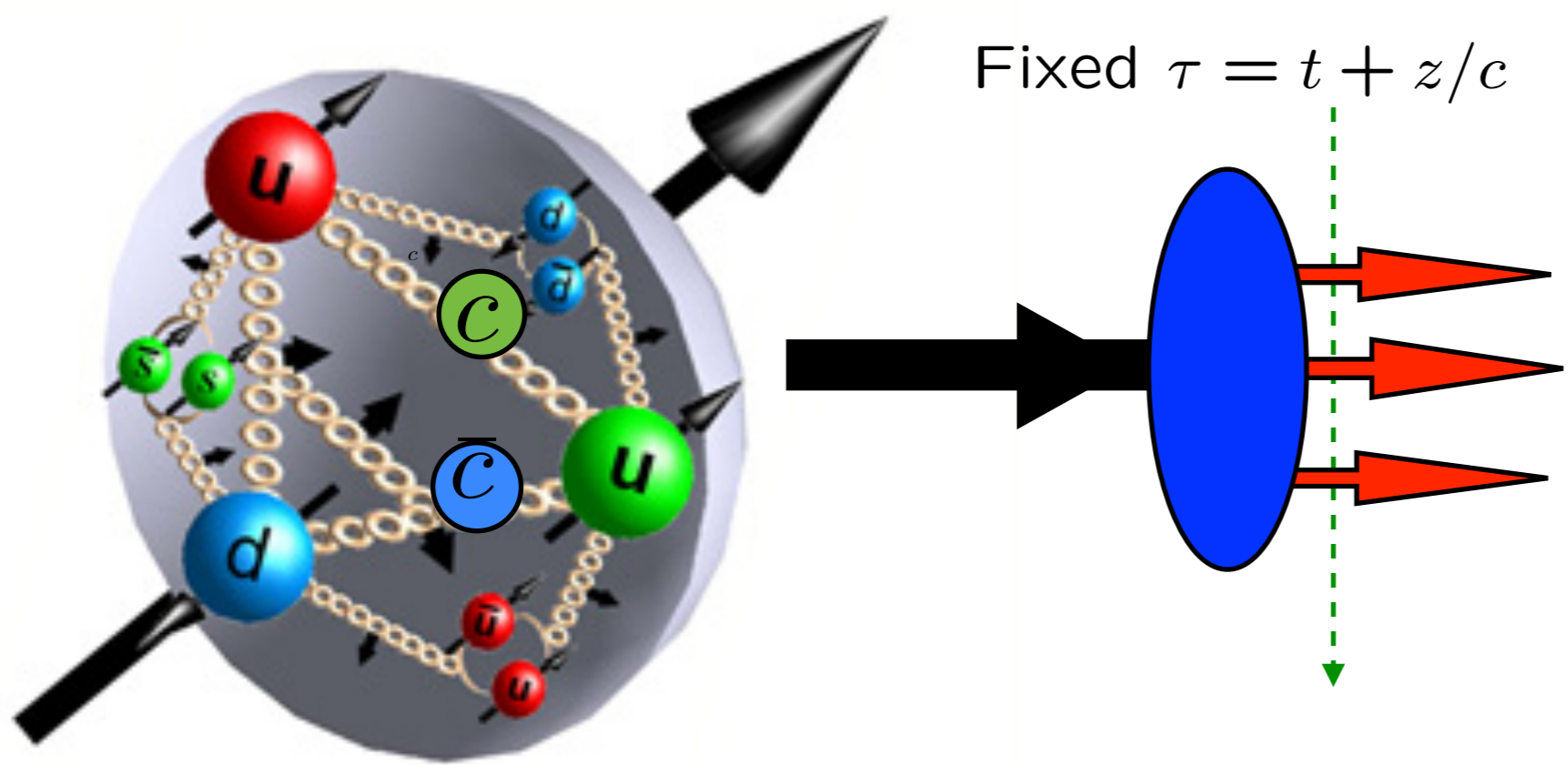


Supersymmetric Properties of Hadron Physics and Predictions for Exclusive Processes from Light-Front Holography and Superconformal Algebra



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Nucleon and Resonance Structure with Hard Exclusive Processes



Need a First Approximation to QCD

*Comparable in simplicity to
Schrödinger Theory in Atomic Physics*

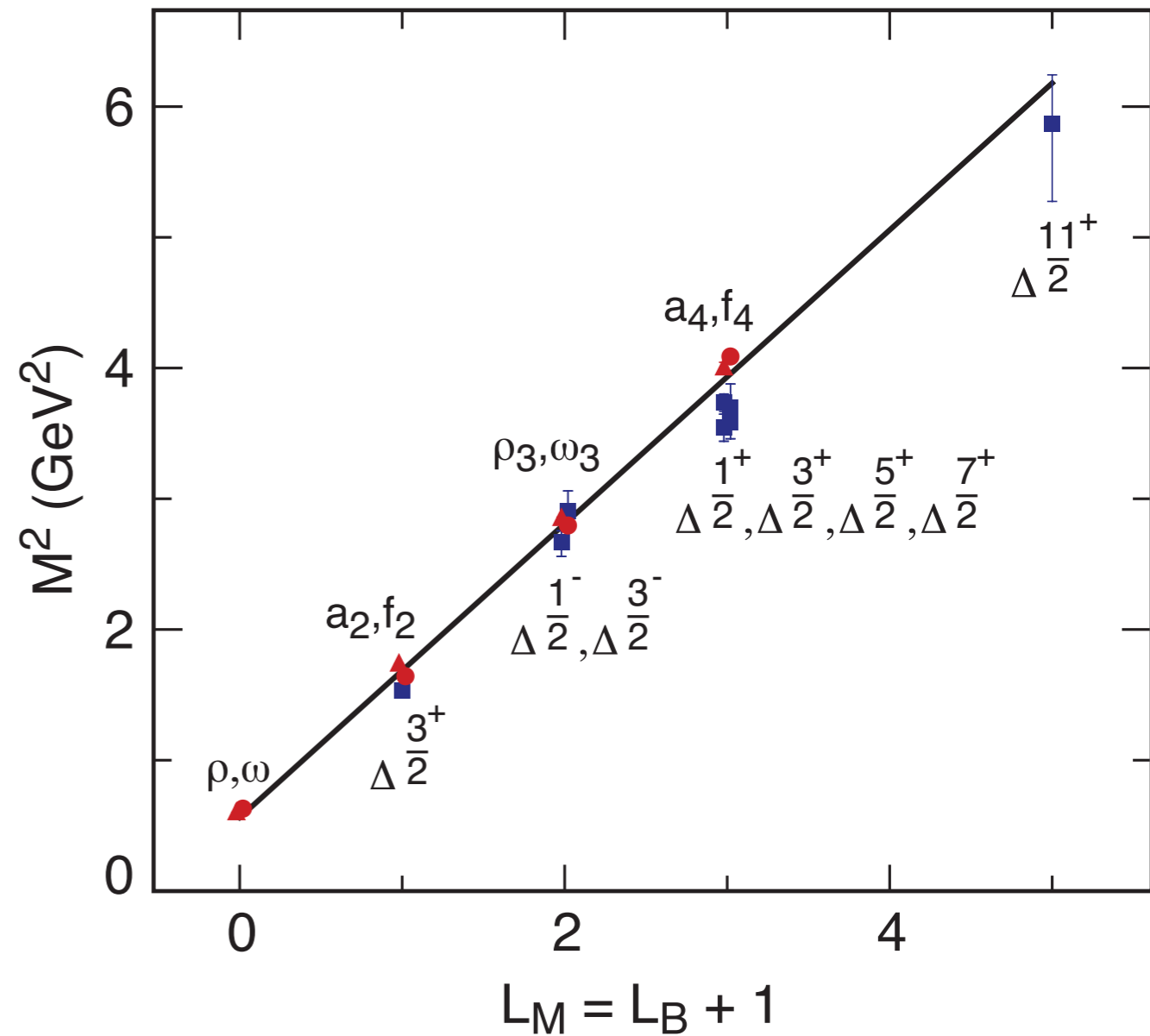
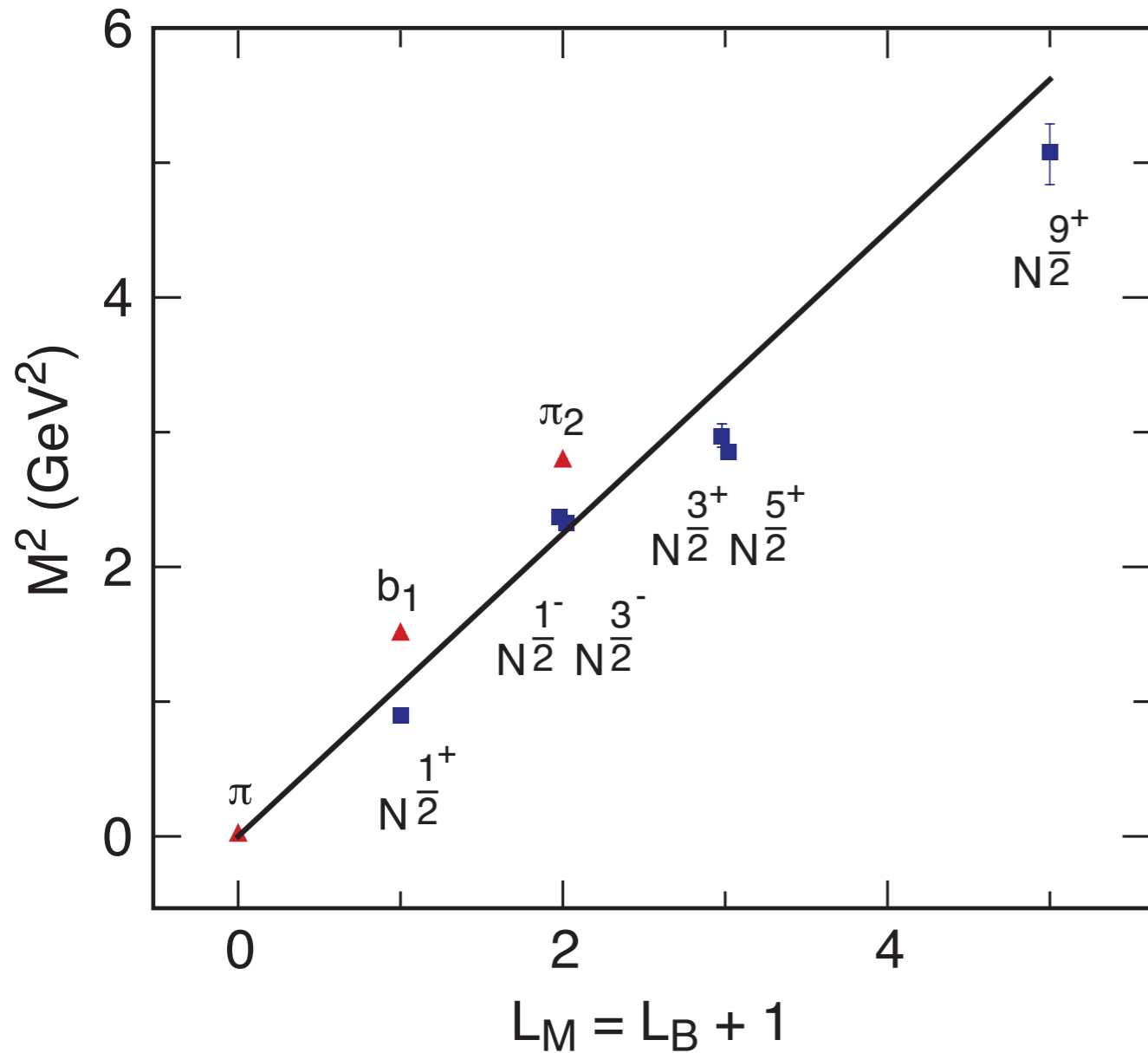
Relativistic, Frame-Independent, Color-Confining

Origin of hadronic mass scale

*AdS/QCD
Light-Front Holography
Superconformal Algebra*

Spectroscopy and Dynamics

Solid line: $\kappa = 0.53 \text{ GeV}$

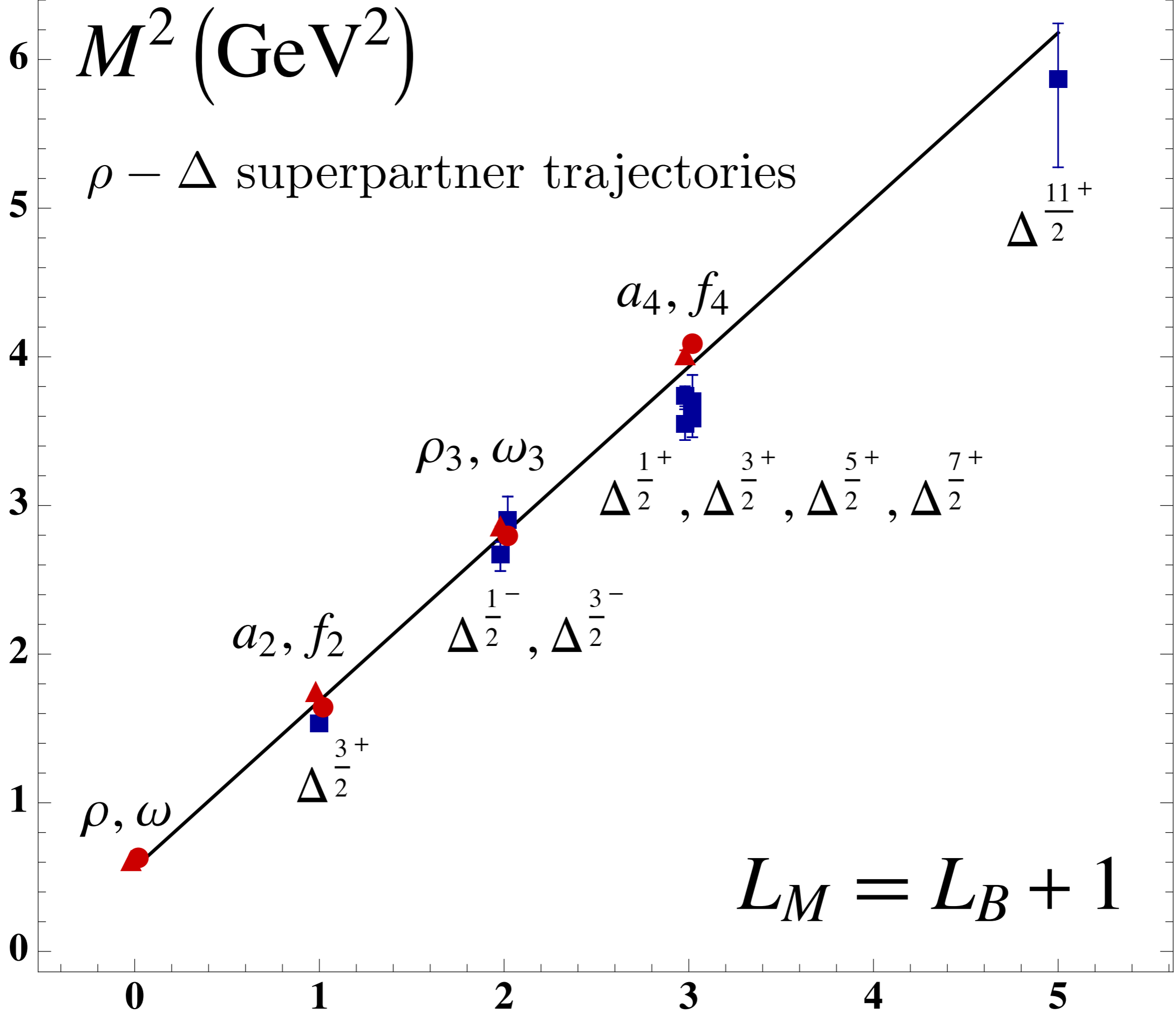


Superconformal meson-nucleon partners

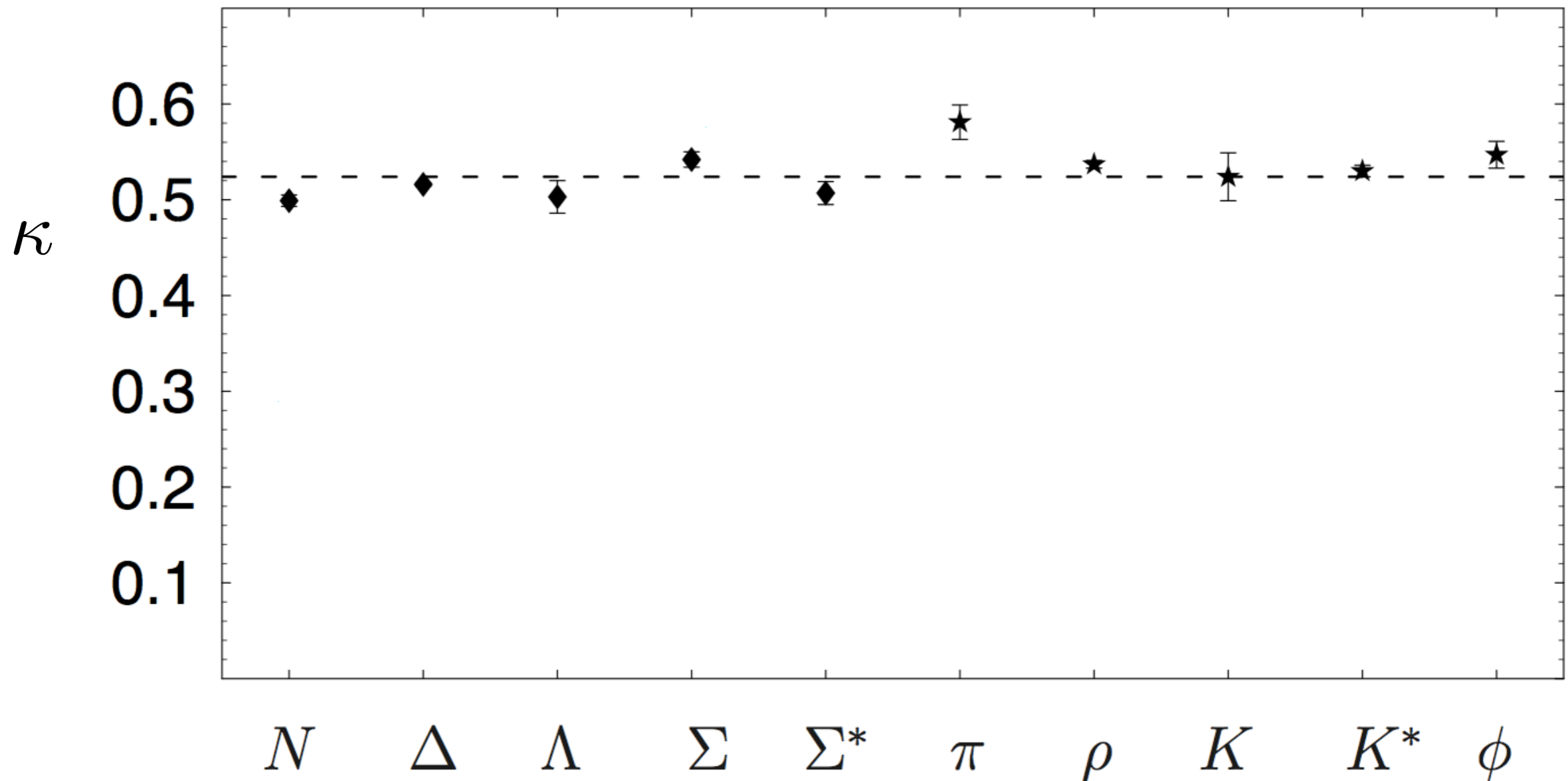
de Tèramond, Dosch, Lorce, sjb

M^2 (GeV²)

$\rho - \Delta$ superpartner trajectories



$$m_u = m_d = 46 \text{ MeV}, m_s = 357 \text{ MeV}$$



**Fit to the slope of Regge trajectories,
including radial excitations**

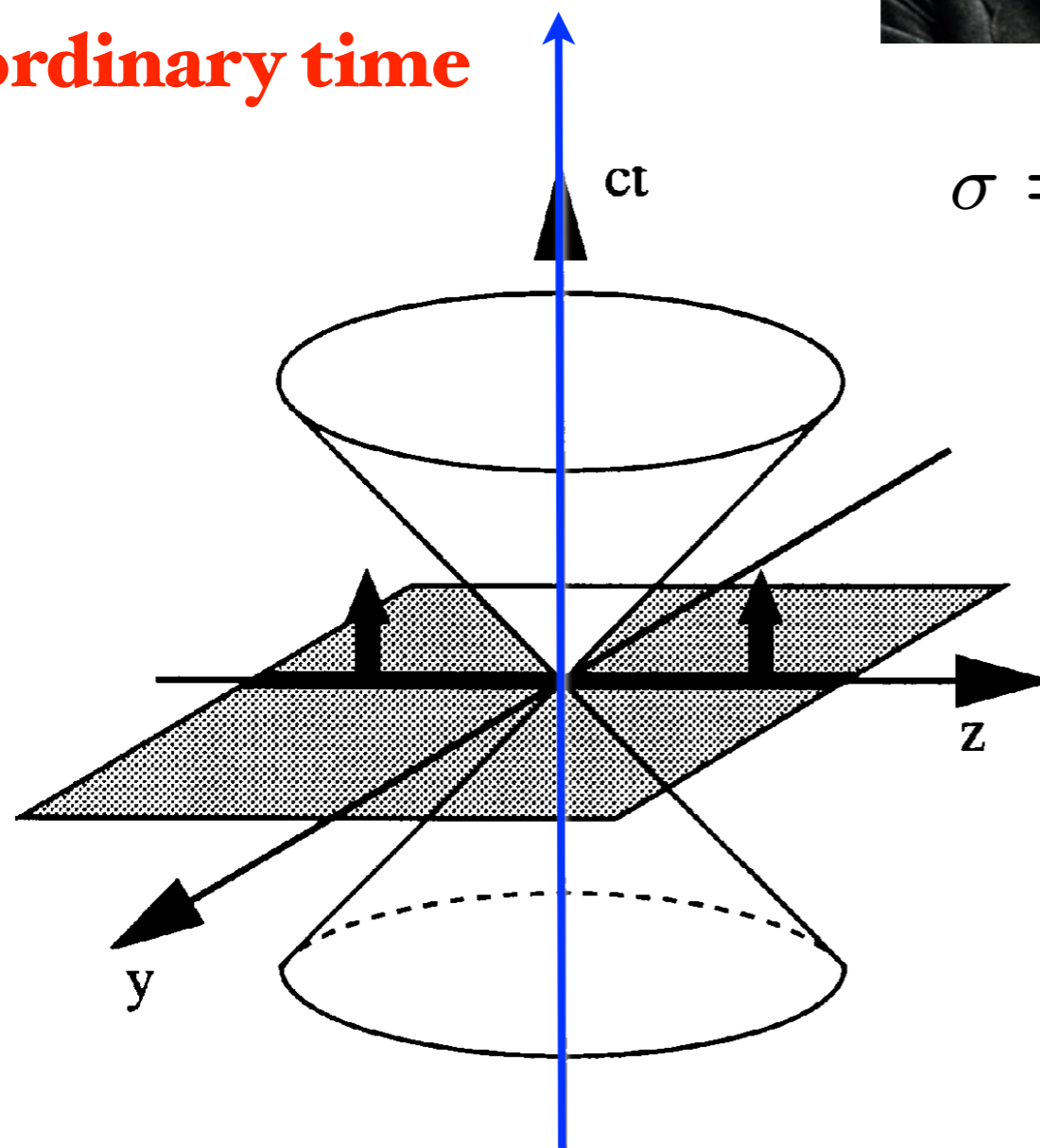
**Same Regge Slope for Meson, Baryons:
Supersymmetric feature of hadron physics**

*Dirac's Amazing Idea:
The "Front Form"*



*P.A.M Dirac, Rev. Mod. Phys. 21,
392 (1949)*

**Evolve in
ordinary time**

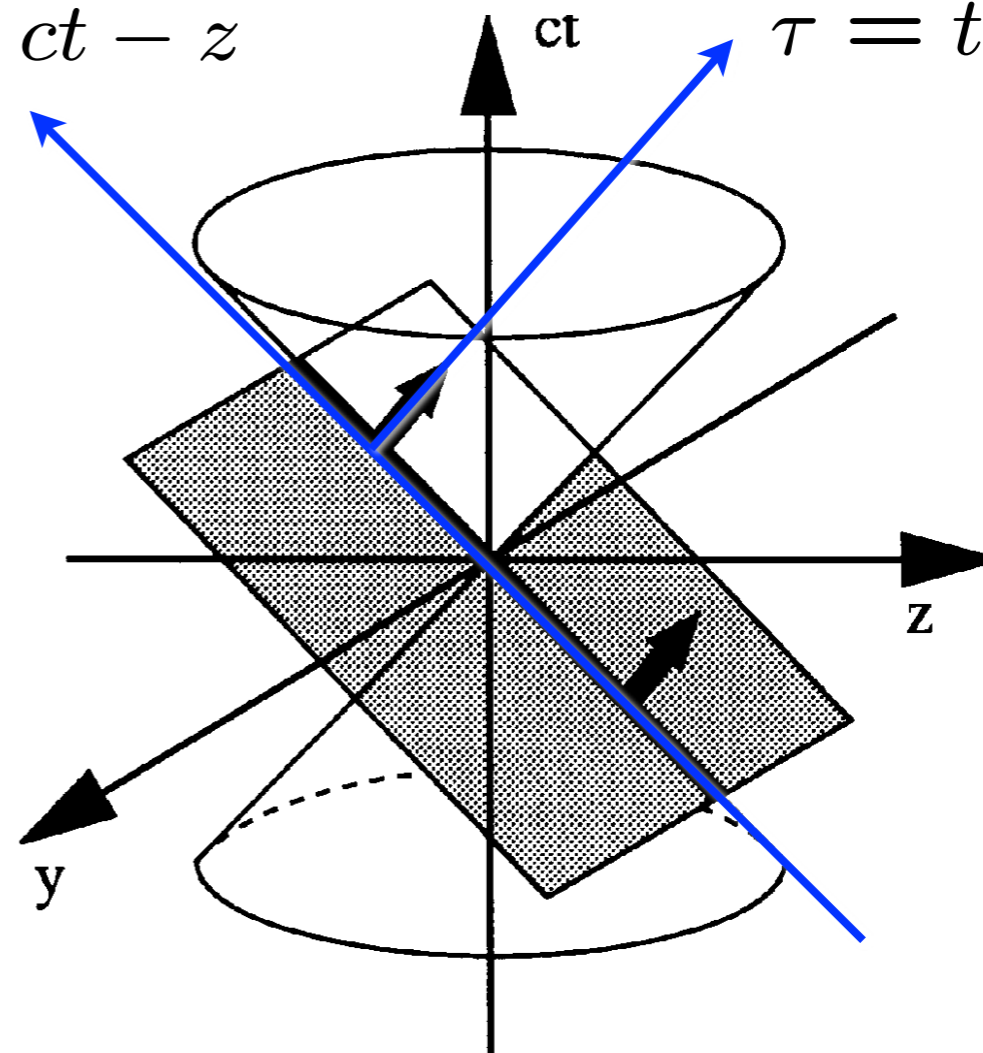


Instant Form

**Evolve in
light-front time!**

$$\sigma = ct - z$$

$$\tau = t + z/c$$



Front Form

Causal, Boost Invariant!

- *Satisfies Poincaré Invariance*

Exact frame-independent formulation of nonperturbative QCD!

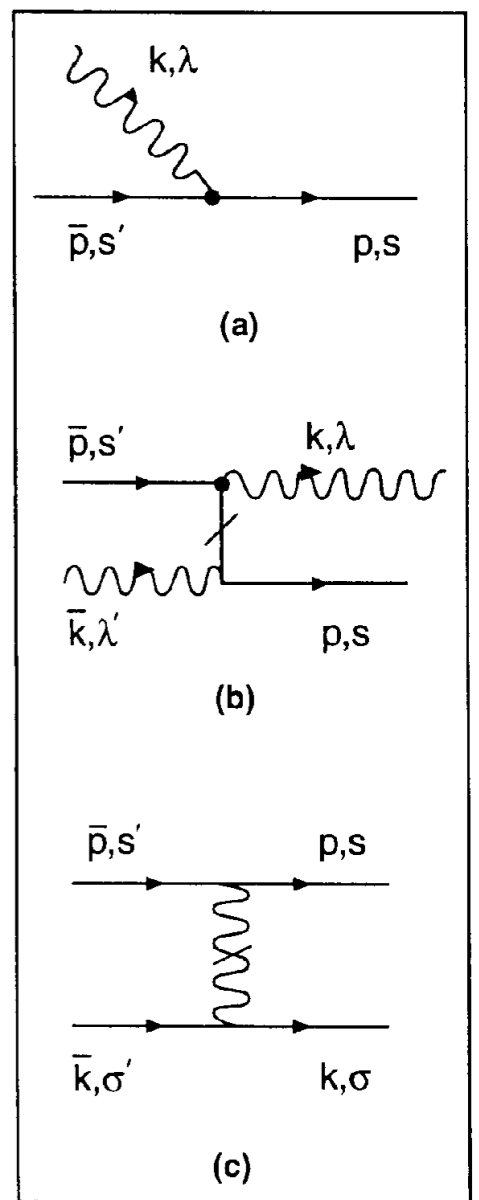
$$L^{QCD} \rightarrow H_{LF}^{QCD}$$

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} = \sum_i \left[\frac{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}{x} \right]_i + H_{LF}^{int}$$

H_{LF}^{int} : Matrix in Fock Space

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

$$|p, J_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$



Eigenvalues and Eigensolutions give Hadronic Spectrum and Light-Front wavefunctions

LFWFs: Off-shell in P- and invariant mass



Each element of
flash photograph
illuminated
at same LF time

$$\tau = t + z/c$$

Causal, frame-independent

Evolve in LF time

$$P^- = i \frac{d}{d\tau}$$

Eigenstate -- independent of τ

$$H_{LF} = P^+ P^- - \vec{P}_\perp^2$$

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$



Light-Front Wavefunctions: **rigorous** representation of composite systems in quantum field theory

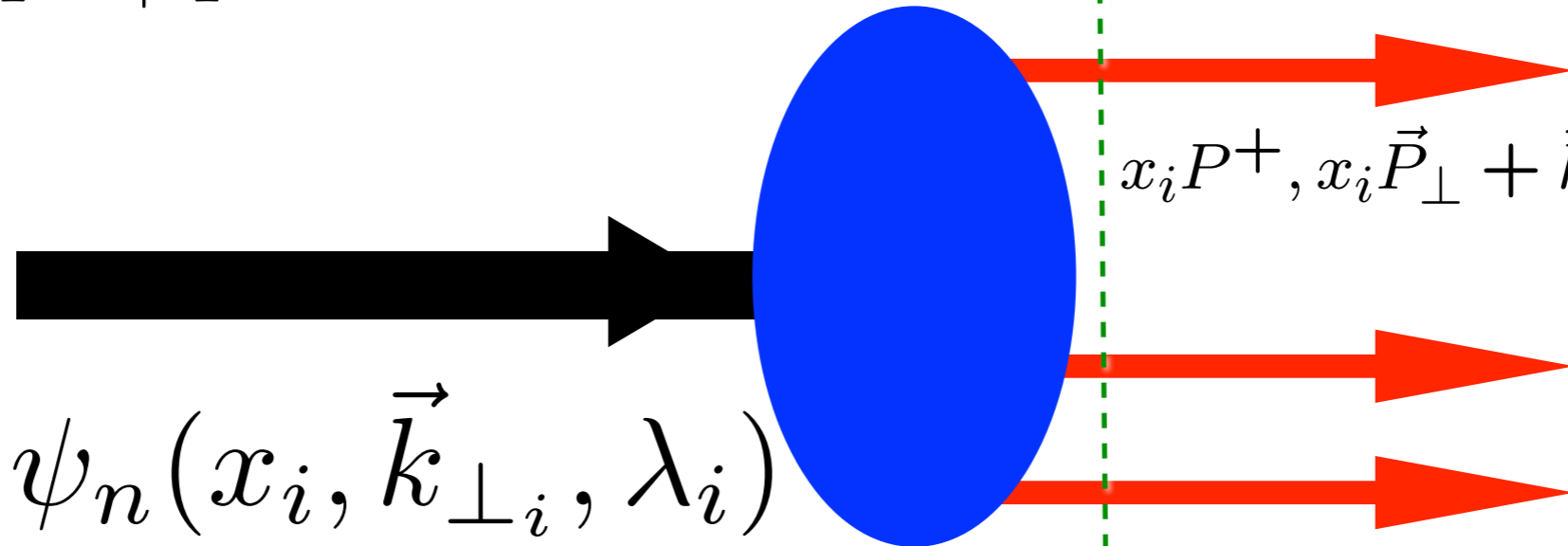
Eigenstate of LF Hamiltonian

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$

$$x = \frac{k^+}{P^+} = \frac{k^0 + k^3}{P^0 + P^3}$$

P^+, \vec{P}_\perp



$$\psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

$$x_i P^+, x_i \vec{P}_\perp + \vec{k}_{\perp i}$$

$$\sum_i^n x_i = 1$$

$$\sum_i^n \vec{k}_{\perp i} = \vec{0}$$

$$\int \psi_{BS}(p, k) dk^- \rightarrow \psi_{LF}$$

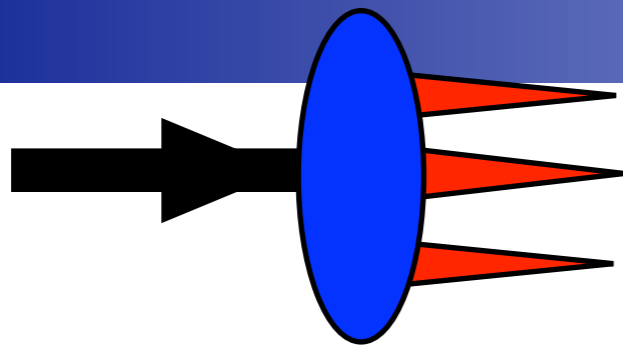
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Invariant under boosts! Independent of P^μ

Off-shell in P- and invariant mass

Causal, Frame-independent. Creation Operators on Simple Vacuum, Current Matrix Elements are Overlaps of LFWFS

- Poincarè Invariance



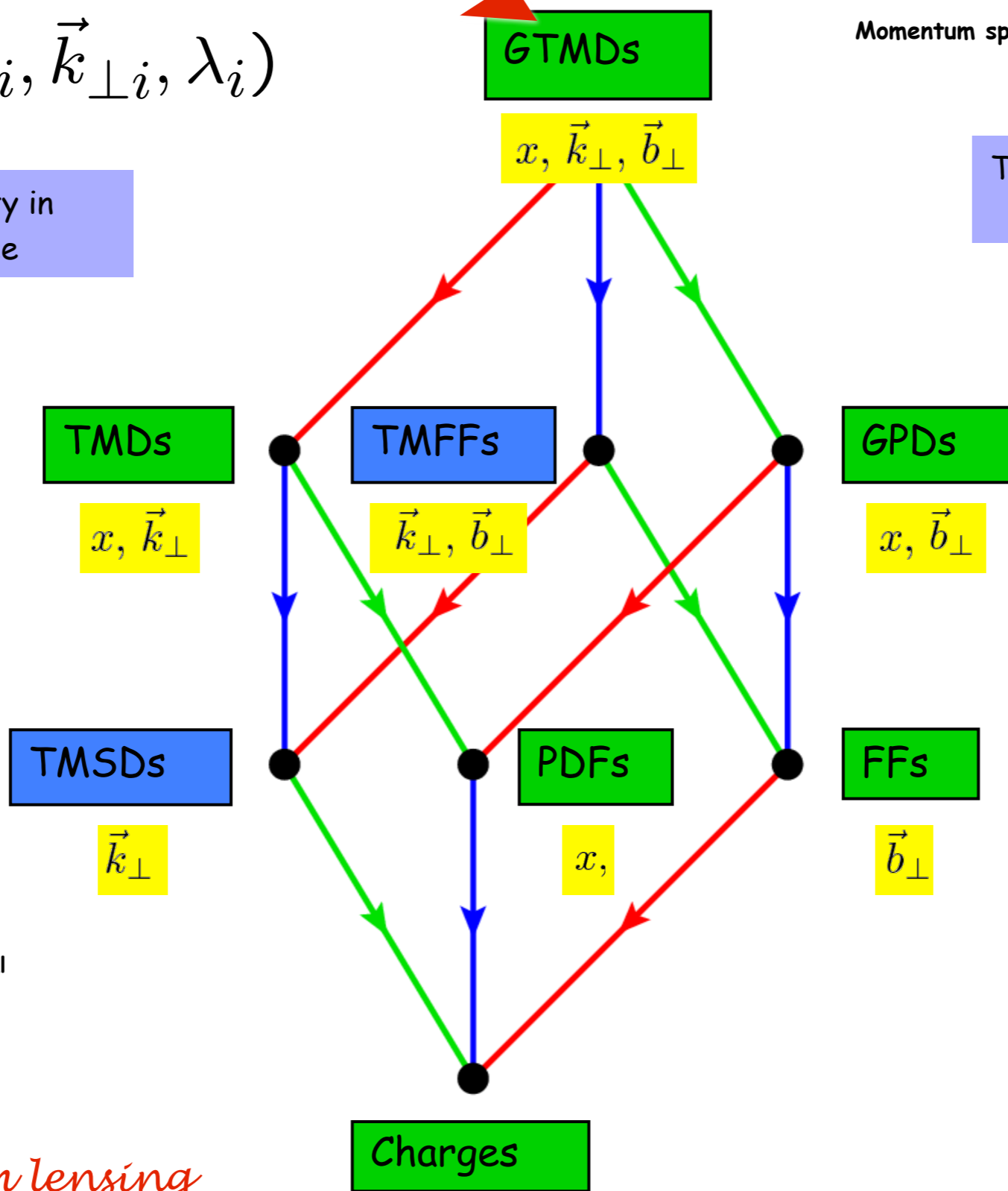
• *Light Front Wavefunctions:*

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

Momentum space $\vec{k}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{z}_{\perp}$ Position space
 $\vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{b}_{\perp}$

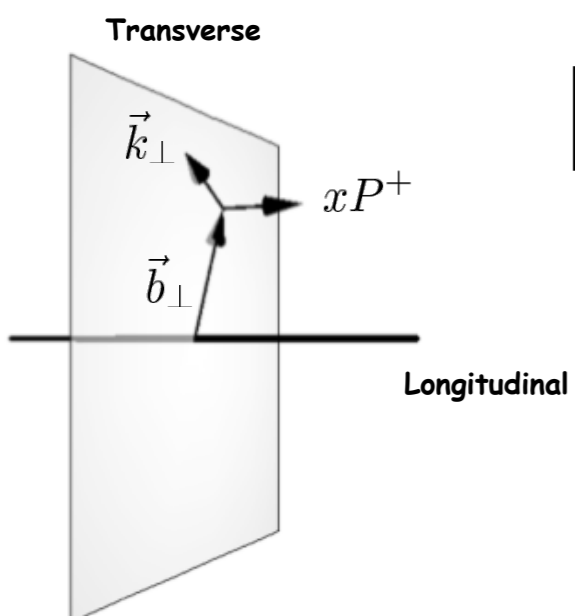
Transverse density in momentum space

Transverse density in position space



Lorce, Pasquini

→ $\int d^2 b_{\perp}$
 → $\int dx$
 → $\int d^2 k_{\perp}$



Sivers, T-odd from lensing

Properties of Hard Exclusive Amplitudes

- **Form Factors (Elastic and Transition) are overlaps of Light-Front Wavefunctions**

- **Key Input Hard Exclusive Processes: Distribution amplitudes**

- **Factorization Theorems** $\phi_M(x, Q) = \int^Q d^2 k_{\perp} \psi_{q\bar{q}}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp})$

- **Hard Scattering Exclusive Hadron Amplitudes => Distribution amplitudes convoluted with hard subprocesses**

- **ERBL Evolution of Distribution Amplitudes**

- **Counting rules reflect leading twist LFWFS**

- **Hadron-Helicity Conservation (Chiral Theory)**

- **Quark Interchange Dominance**

- **Color Transparency**

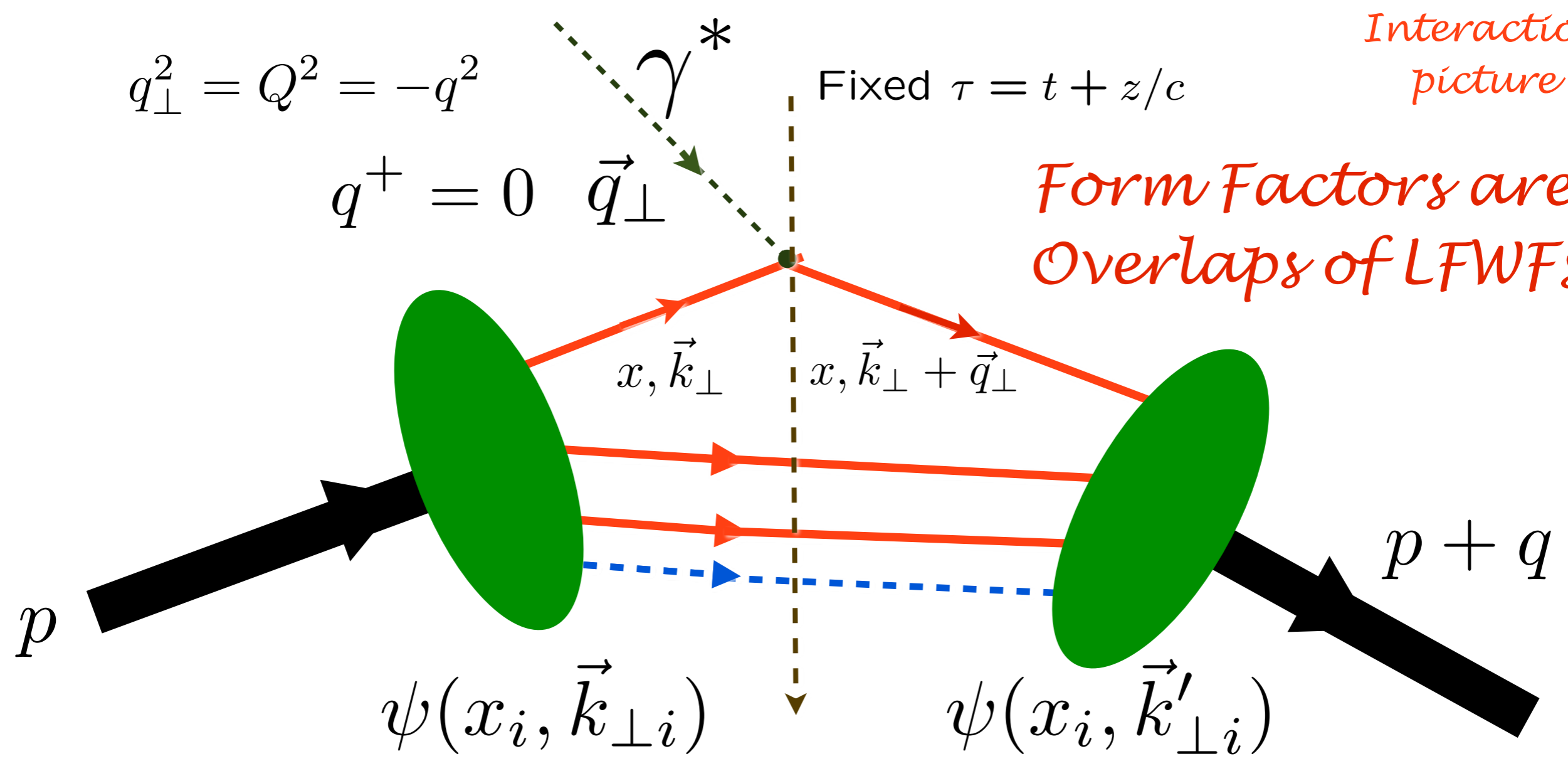
- **Hidden Color**

$$\langle p + q | j^+(0) | p \rangle = 2p^+ F(q^2)$$

Front Form

Interaction picture

Form Factors are Overlaps of LFWFs



struck $\vec{k}'_{\perp i} = \vec{k}_{\perp i} + (1 - x_i)\vec{q}_{\perp}$

spectators $\vec{k}'_{\perp i} = \vec{k}_{\perp i} - x_i\vec{q}_{\perp}$

**Drell & Yan, West
Exact LF formula!**

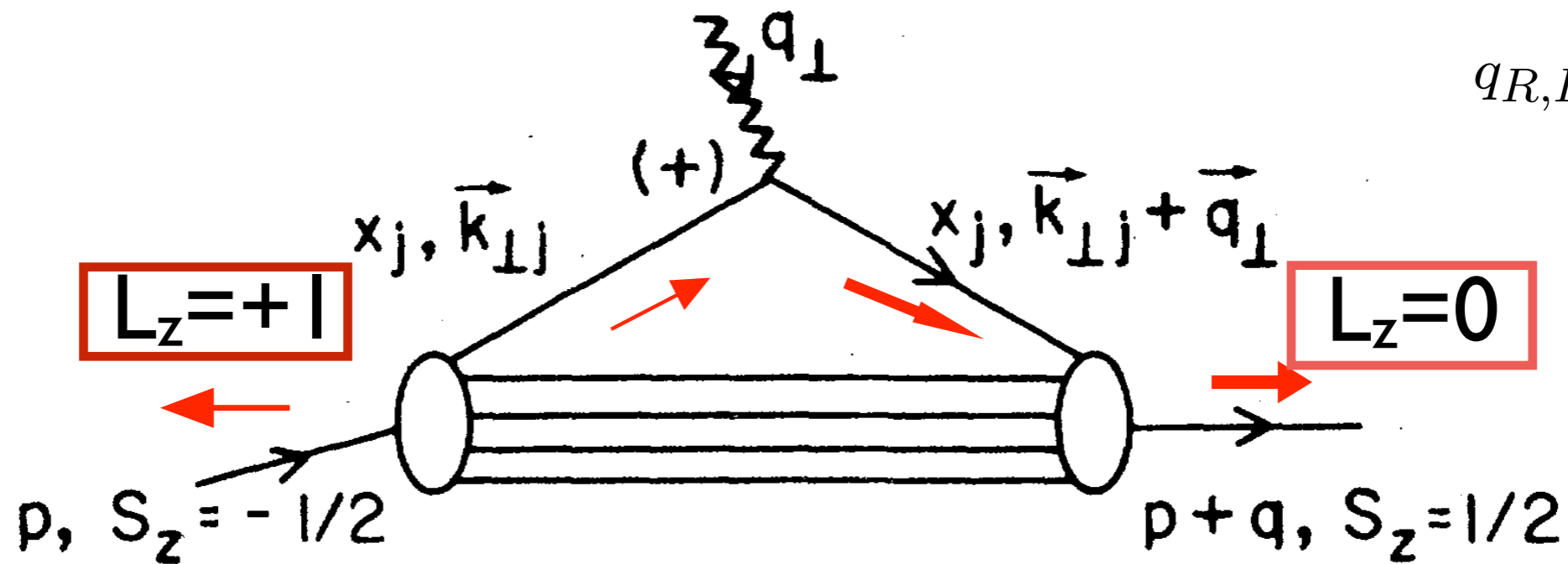
Drell, sjb

Exact LF Formula for Pauli Form Factor

$$\frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M} = \sum_a \int [dx][d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp] \sum_j e_j \frac{1}{2} \times \quad \text{Drell, sjb}$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{q^L} \psi_a^{\uparrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\downarrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) + \frac{1}{q^R} \psi_a^{\downarrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\uparrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{k}'_{\perp i} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp i} - x_i \mathbf{q}_\perp \qquad \mathbf{k}'_{\perp j} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp j} + (1 - x_j) \mathbf{q}_\perp$$

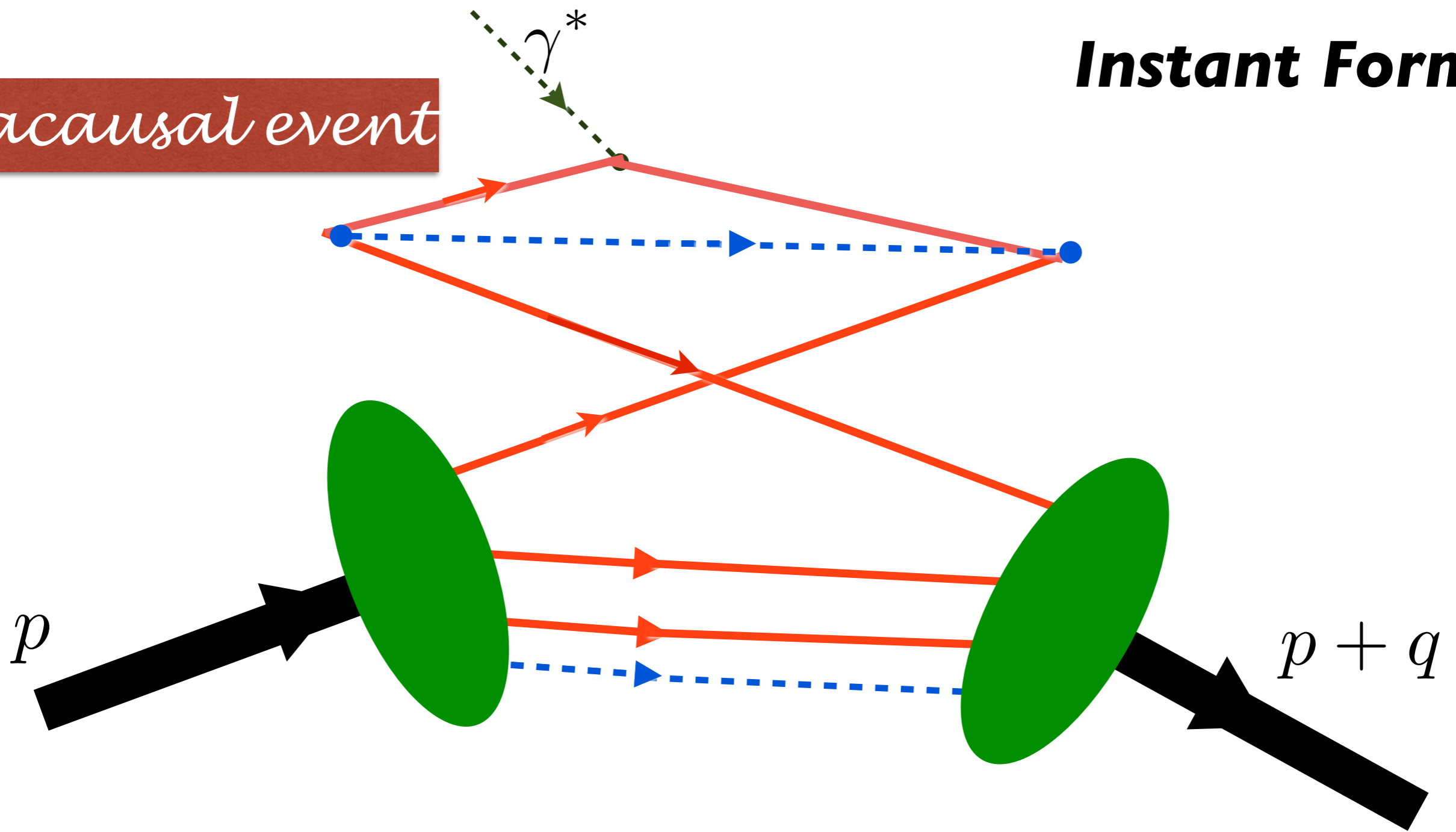


Must have $\Delta l_z = \pm 1$ to have nonzero $F_2(q^2)$

*Nonzero Proton Anomalous Moment -->
Nonzero orbital quark angular momentum*

acausal event

Instant Form



Must include vacuum-induced currents to compute form factors and other current matrix elements in instant form

Boosts are dynamical in instant form

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

$$|p, S_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

sum over states with $n=3, 4, \dots$ constituents

The Light Front Fock State Wavefunctions

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

are boost invariant; they are independent of the hadron's energy and momentum P^μ .

The light-cone momentum fractions

$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+} = \frac{k_i^0 + k_i^z}{P^0 + P^z}$$

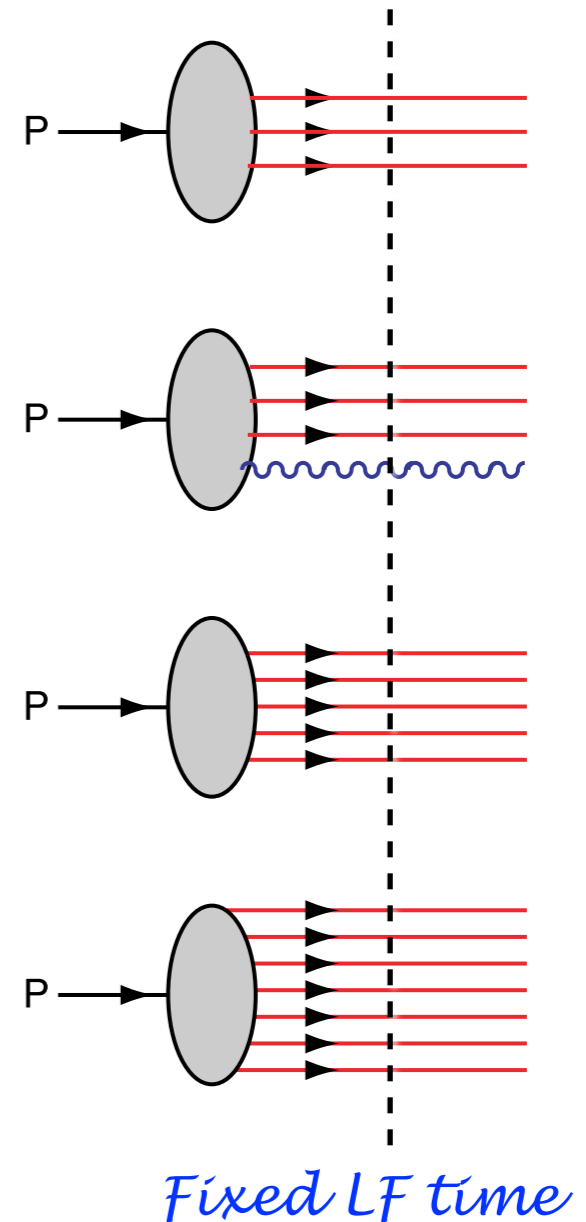
are boost invariant.

$$\sum_i^n k_i^+ = P^+, \quad \sum_i^n x_i = 1, \quad \sum_i^n \vec{k}_i^\perp = \vec{0}^\perp.$$

Intrinsic heavy quarks
 $s(x), c(x), b(x)$ at high x !

$$\bar{s}(x) \neq s(x)$$

$$\bar{u}(x) \neq \bar{d}(x)$$



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Single-spin asymmetries

Leading Twist Sivers Effect

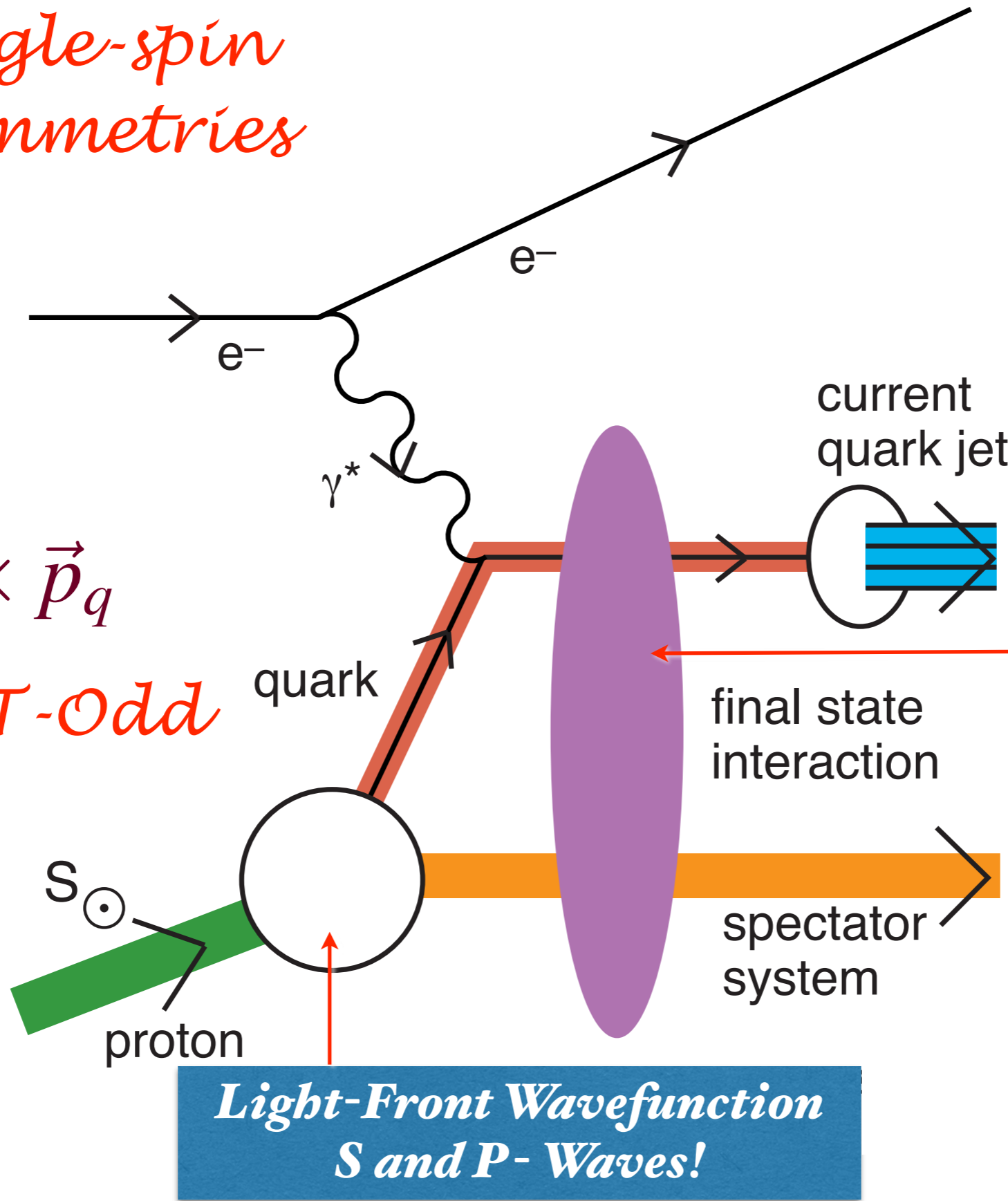
Hwang, Schmidt, sjb

Collins, Burkardt, Ji, Yuan. Pasquini, ...

QCD S- and P-Coulomb Phases --Wilson Line

“Lensing Effect”

Leading-Twist Rescattering Violates pQCD Factorization!



$$i \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{p}_q$$

Pseudo-T-Odd

“Lensing” involves soft scales

Sign reversal in DY!

Advantages of the Dirac's Front Form for Hadron Physics

Poincare' Invariant

Physics Independent of Observer's Motion



- **Measurements are made at fixed τ**
- **Causality is automatic**
- **Structure Functions are squares of LFWFs**
- **Form Factors are overlap of LFWFs**
- **LFWFs are frame-independent: no boosts, no pancakes!**
- **Same structure function measured at an e p collider and the proton rest frame**
- **No dependence of hadron structure on observer's frame**
- **LF Holography: Dual to AdS space**
- **LF Vacuum trivial -- no vacuum condensates!**
- **Profound implications for Cosmological Constant**

Terrell, Penrose

Light-Front Perturbation Theory for pQCD

$$T = H_I + H_I \frac{1}{\mathcal{M}_{initial}^2 - \mathcal{M}_{intermediate}^2 + i\epsilon} H_I + \dots$$

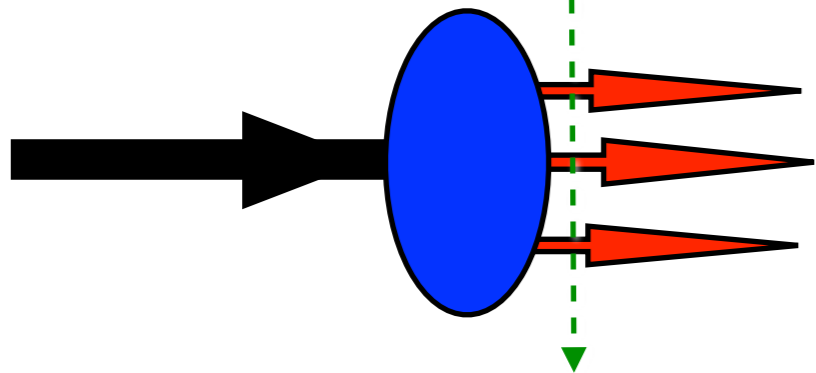
- “History”: Compute any subgraph only once since the LFPth numerator does not depend on the process — only the denominator changes!
- Wick Theorem applies, but few amplitudes since all $k^+ > 0$.
- J_z Conservation at every vertex $\left| \sum_{initial} S^z - \sum_{final} S_z \right| \leq n$ at order g^n
K. Chiu, sjb
- Unitarity is explicit
- Loop Integrals are 3-dimensional $\int_0^1 dx \int d^2 k_\perp$
- hadronization: coalesce comoving quarks and gluons to hadrons using light-front wavefunctions $\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$

Bound States in Relativistic Quantum Field Theory:

Light-Front Wavefunctions

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$

Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$



$$\psi(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

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Invariant under boosts. Independent of P^μ

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\psi\rangle = M^2 |\psi\rangle$$

Direct connection to QCD Lagrangian

Off-shell in invariant mass

Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT, the duality between conformal field theory and Anti-de Sitter Space

H_{QED}

QED atoms: positronium and muonium

$$(H_0 + H_{int}) |\Psi\rangle = E |\Psi\rangle$$

Coupled Fock states

$$\left[-\frac{\Delta^2}{2m_{red}} + V_{eff}(\vec{S}, \vec{r})\right] \psi(\vec{r}) = E \psi(\vec{r})$$

Effective two-particle equation

Includes Lamb Shift, quantum corrections

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2m_{red}} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{2m_{red}} \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + V_{eff}(r, S, \ell)\right] \psi(r) = E \psi(r)$$

Spherical Basis r, θ, ϕ

$$V_{eff} \rightarrow V_C(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r}$$

Semiclassical first approximation to QED

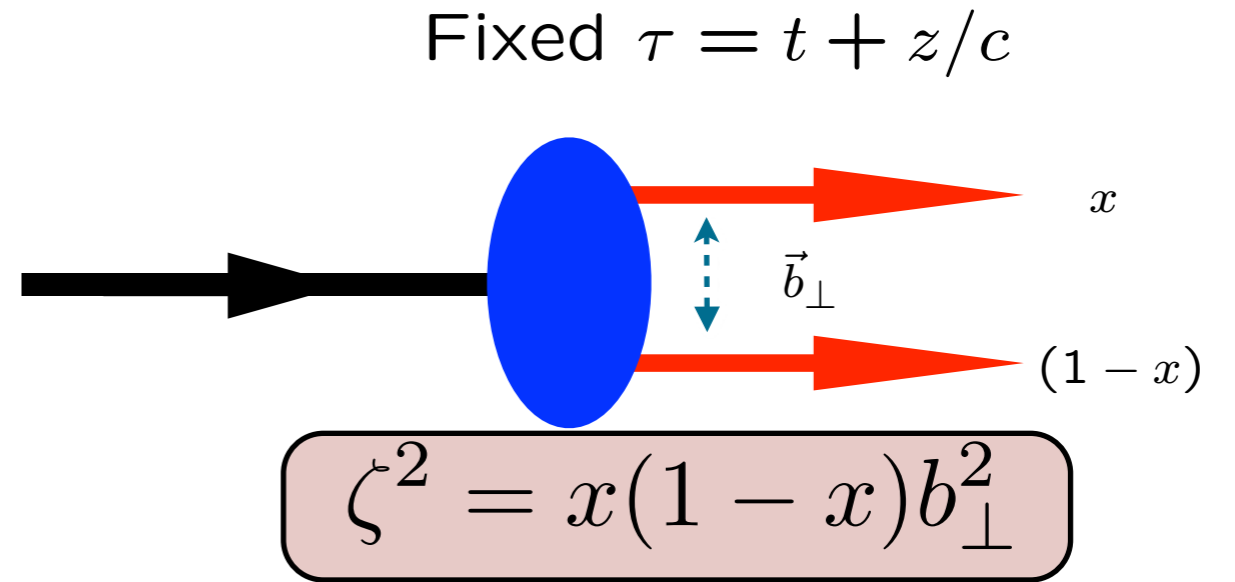
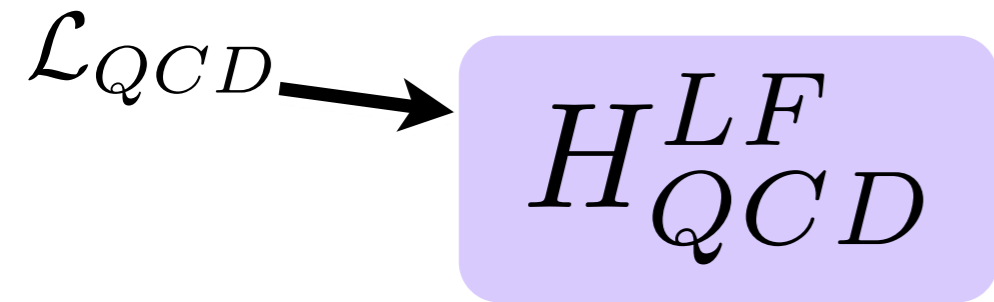


Coulomb potential

Bohr Spectrum

Schrödinger Eq.

Light-Front QCD



$$(H_{LF}^0 + H_{LF}^I) |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

Coupled Fock states

Eliminate higher Fock states and retarded interactions

$$\left[\frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m^2}{x(1-x)} + V_{\text{eff}}^{LF} \right] \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp})$$

Effective two-particle equation

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta) \right] \psi(\zeta) = M^2 \psi(\zeta)$$

Azimuthal Basis ζ, ϕ

$$m_q = 0$$

Single variable ζ

AdS/QCD:

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

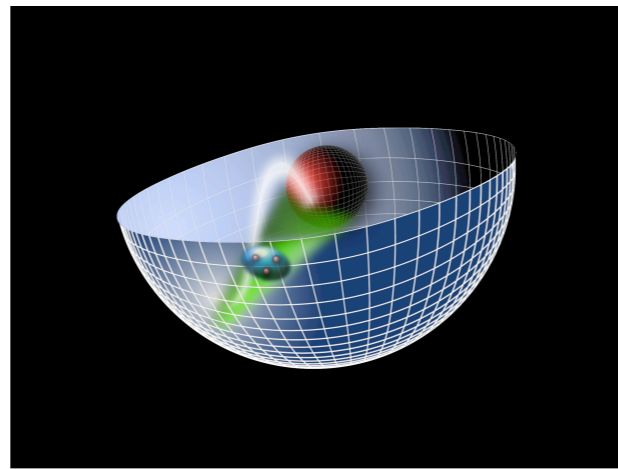
Confining AdS/QCD potential!

Semiclassical first approximation to QCD

Sums an infinite # diagrams

*AdS/QCD
Soft-Wall Model*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$



$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$

Light-Front Holography

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Conformal Symmetry
of the action***

Confinement scale: $\kappa \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

- **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan:**
- **Fubini, Rabinovici**

**Scale can appear in Hamiltonian and EQM
without affecting conformal invariance of action!**

QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} \text{Tr}(G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}) + \sum_{f=1}^{n_f} i\bar{\Psi}_f D_\mu \gamma^\mu \Psi_f + \sum_{f=1}^{n_f} m_f \bar{\Psi}_f \Psi_f$$

$$iD^\mu = i\partial^\mu - gA^\mu \quad G^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu - g[A^\mu, A^\nu]$$

Classical Chiral Lagrangian is Conformally Invariant

Where does the QCD Mass Scale come from?

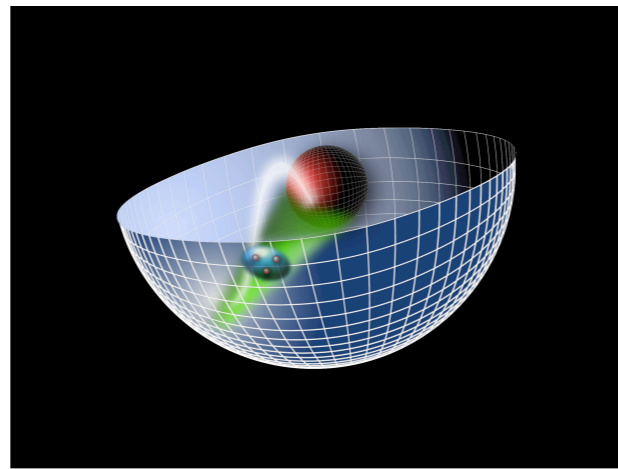
**QCD does not know what MeV units mean!
Only Ratios of Masses Determined**

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● **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan**

$$G|\psi(\tau)\rangle = i\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau}|\psi(\tau)\rangle$$

$$G = uH + vD + wK$$

New term

$$G = H_\tau = \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{g}{x^2} + \frac{4uw - v^2}{4}x^2\right)$$

Retains conformal invariance of action despite mass scale!

$$4uw - v^2 = \kappa^4 = [M]^4$$

Identical to LF Hamiltonian with unique potential and dilaton!

● **Dosch, de Teramond, sjb**

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{4L^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta^2)\right]\psi = M^2\psi$$

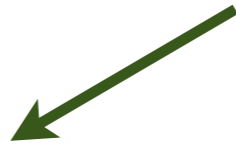
$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4\zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L + S - 1)$$

Massless pion!

Meson Spectrum in Soft Wall Model

$$m_\pi = 0 \text{ if } m_q = 0$$

Pion: Negative term for J=0 cancels positive terms from LFKE and potential



- Effective potential: $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1)$

- LF WE

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1) \right) \phi_J(\zeta) = M^2 \phi_J(\zeta)$$

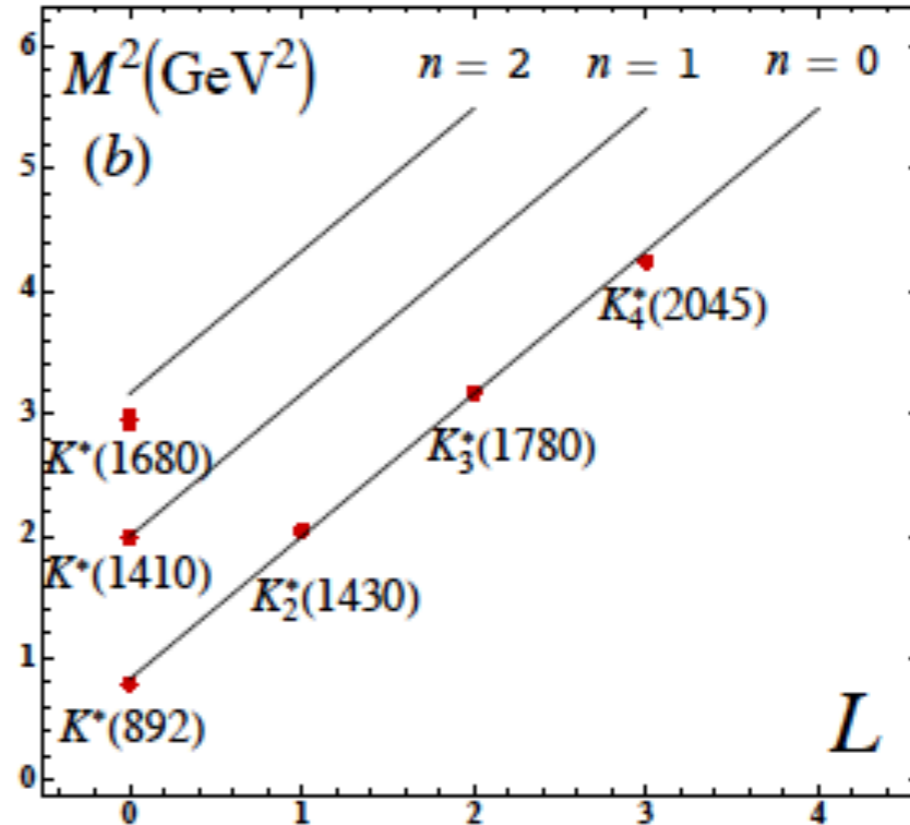
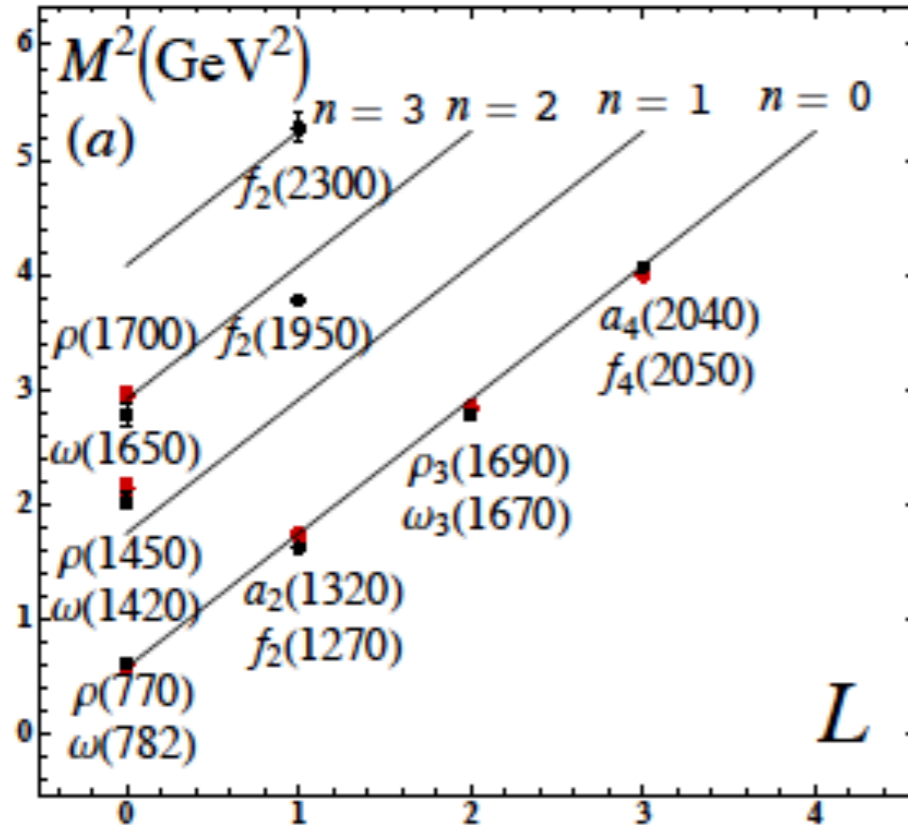
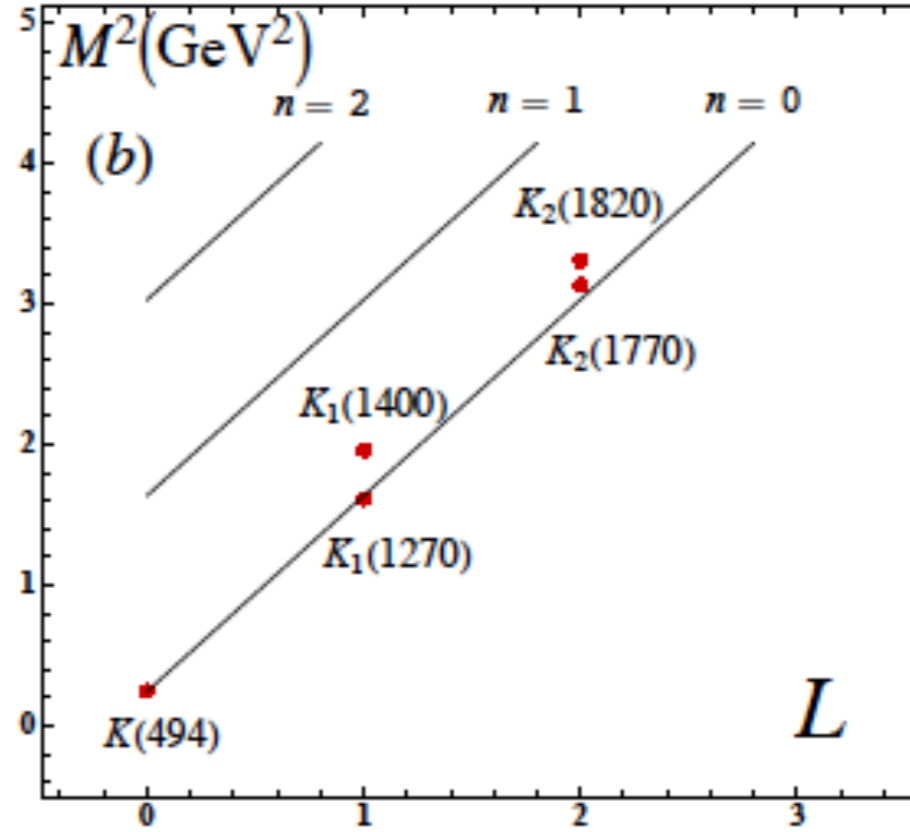
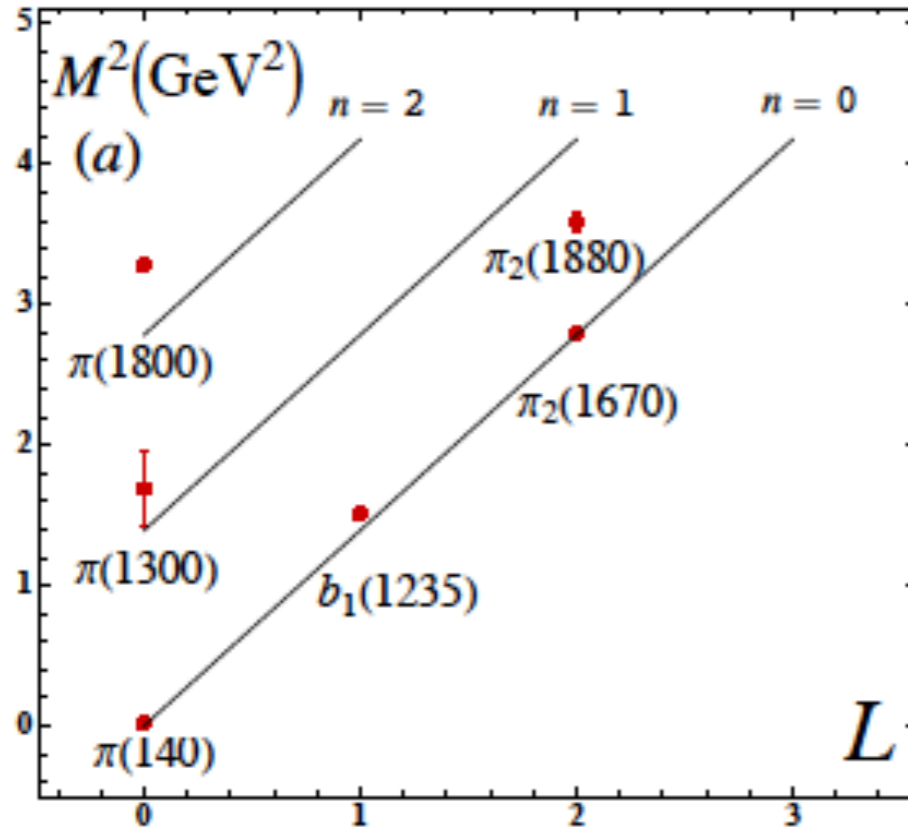
- Normalized eigenfunctions $\langle \phi | \phi \rangle = \int d\zeta \phi^2(z)^2 = 1$

$$\phi_{n,L}(\zeta) = \kappa^{1+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{1/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^L(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

- Eigenvalues

$$M_{n,J,L}^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left(n + \frac{J+L}{2} \right)$$

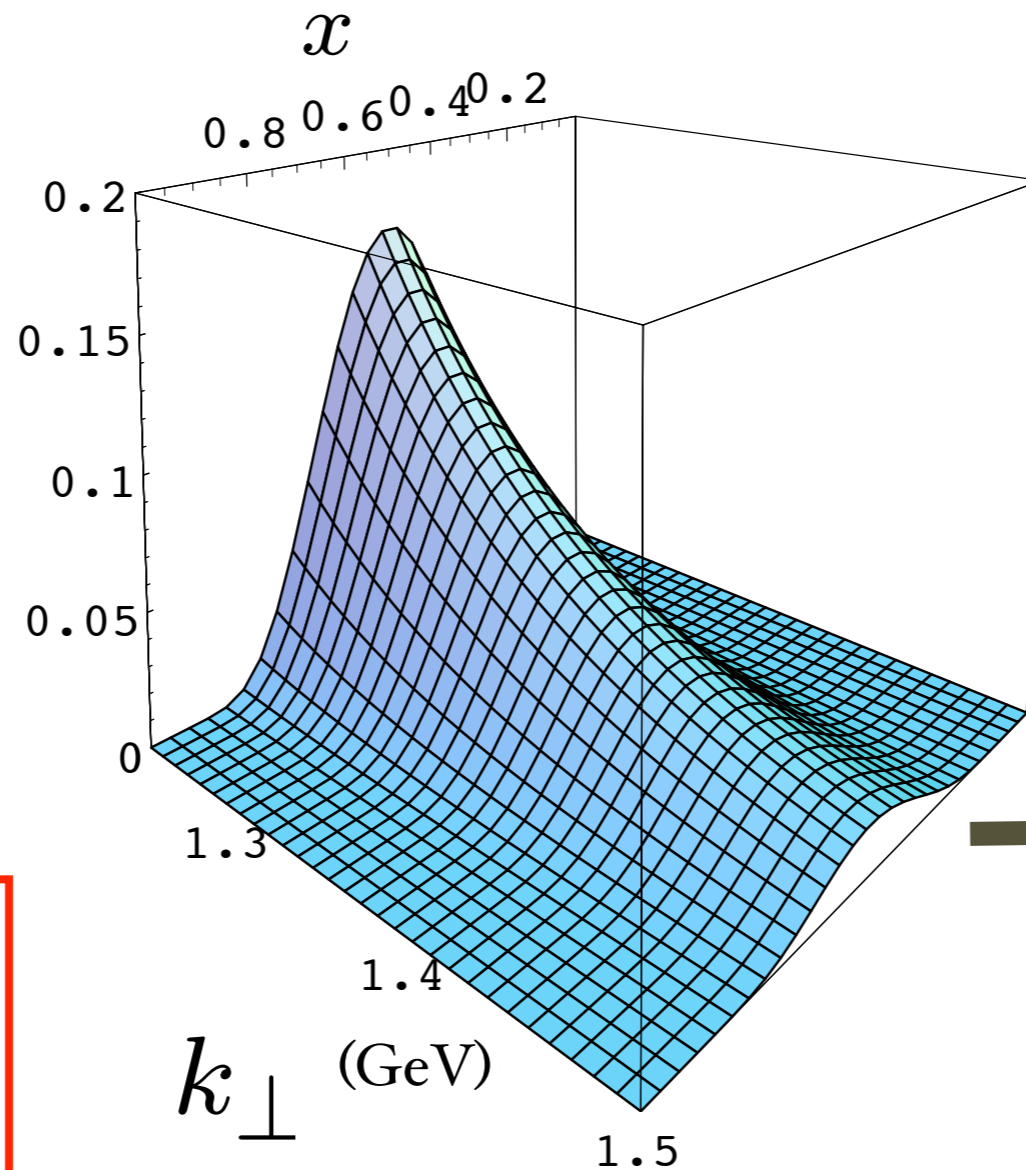
$$M^2 = M_0^2 + \left\langle X \left| \frac{m_q^2}{x} \right| X \right\rangle + \left\langle X \left| \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} \right| X \right\rangle$$



Prediction from AdS/QCD: Meson LFWF

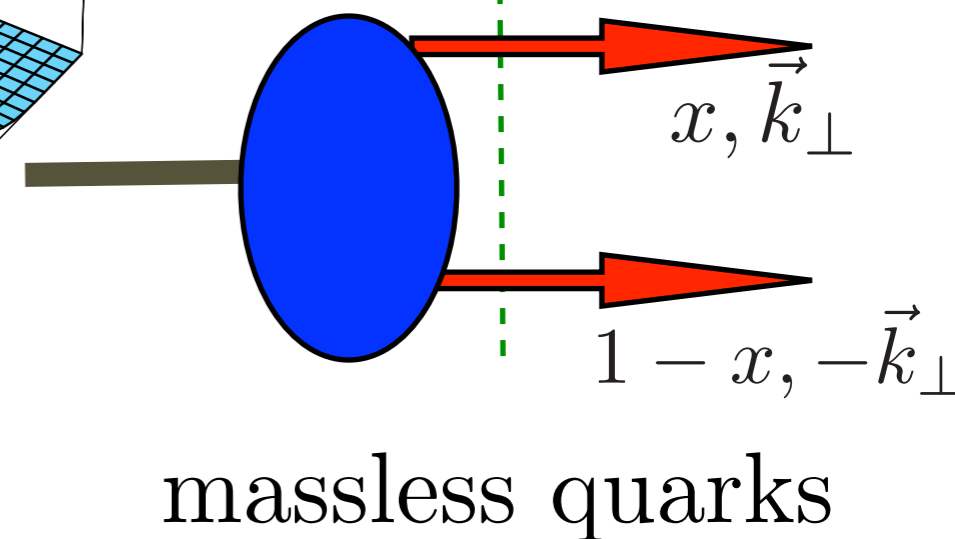
$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z}$$

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$



de Teramond,
Cao, sjb

“Soft Wall”
model



Note coupling

$$k_{\perp}^2, x$$

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

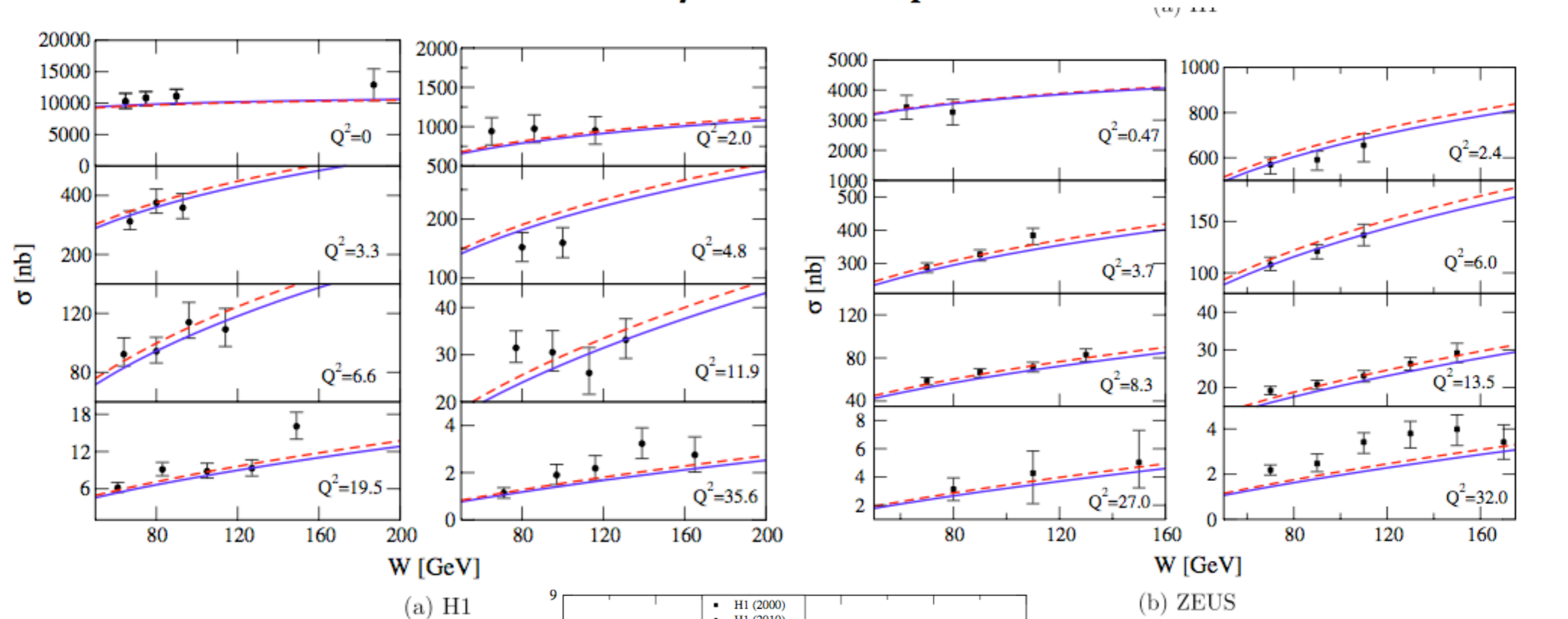
$$\phi_{\pi}(x) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}\pi} f_{\pi} \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$f_{\pi} = \sqrt{P_{q\bar{q}}} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \kappa = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$$

Same as DSE! C. D. Roberts et al.

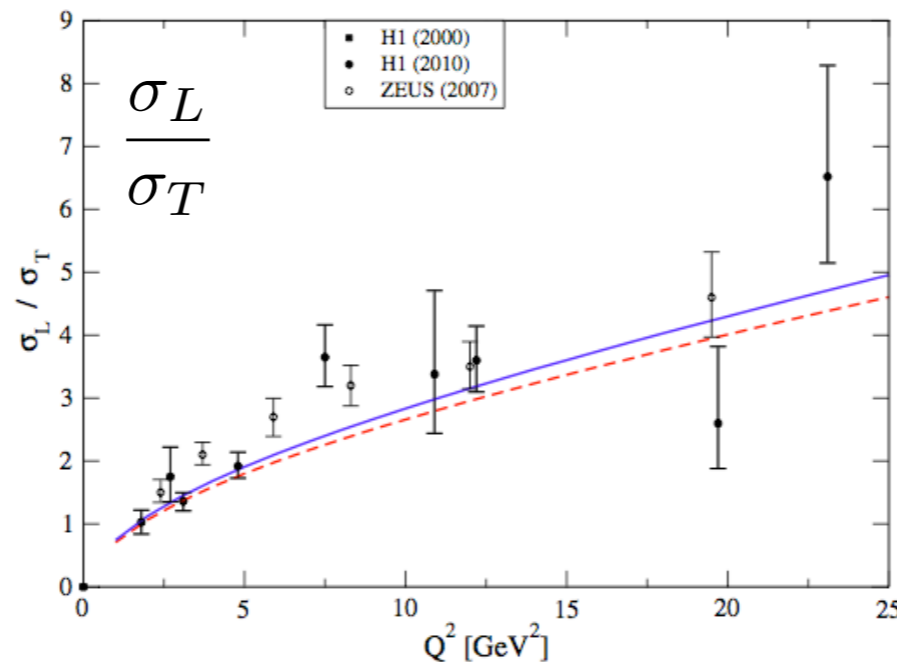
Provides Connection of Confinement to Hadron Structure

AdS/QCD Holographic Wave Function for the ρ Meson and Diffractive ρ Meson Electroproduction



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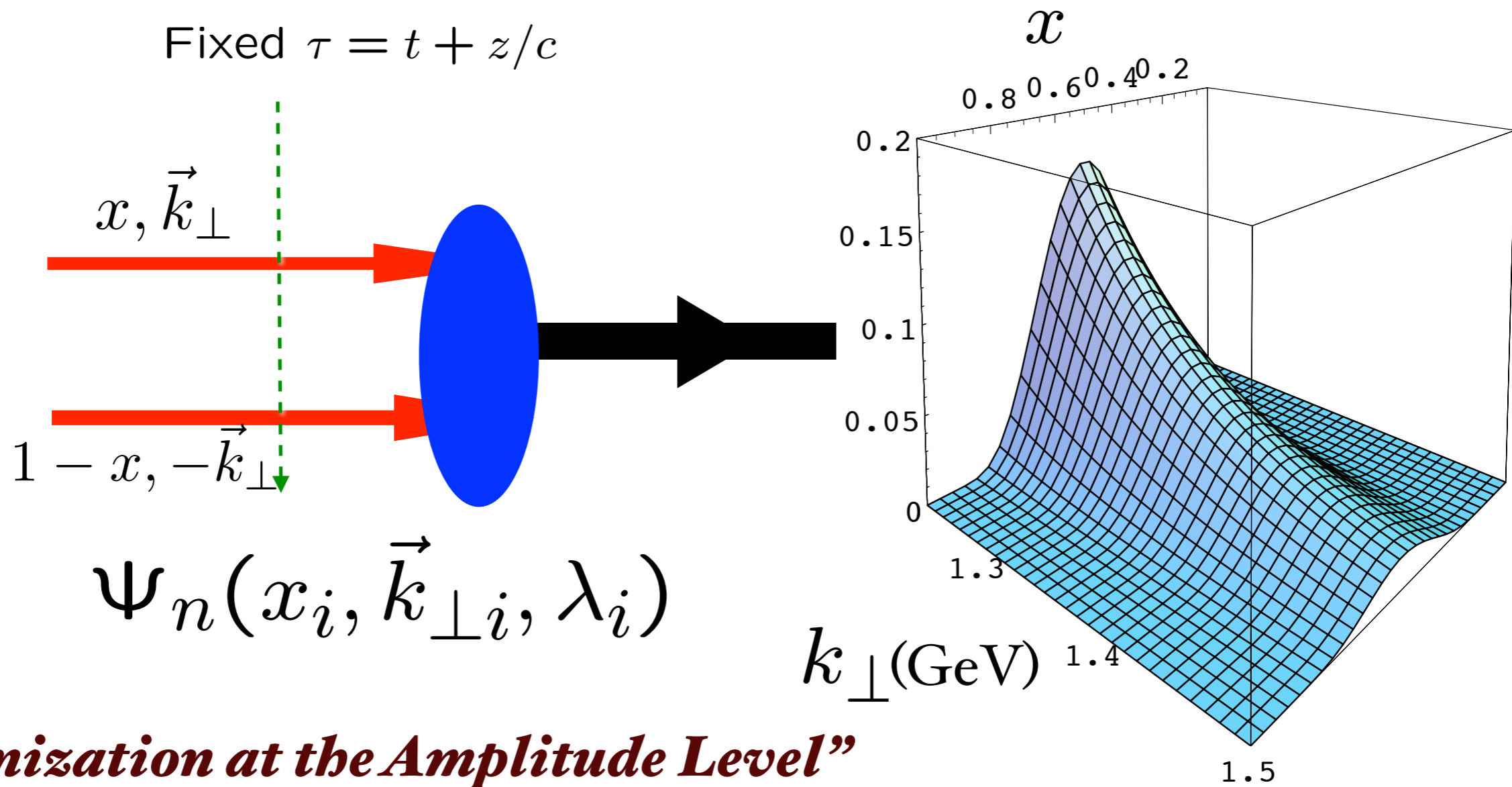
$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \rho^0 p'$$



$$\psi_M(x, k_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa\sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

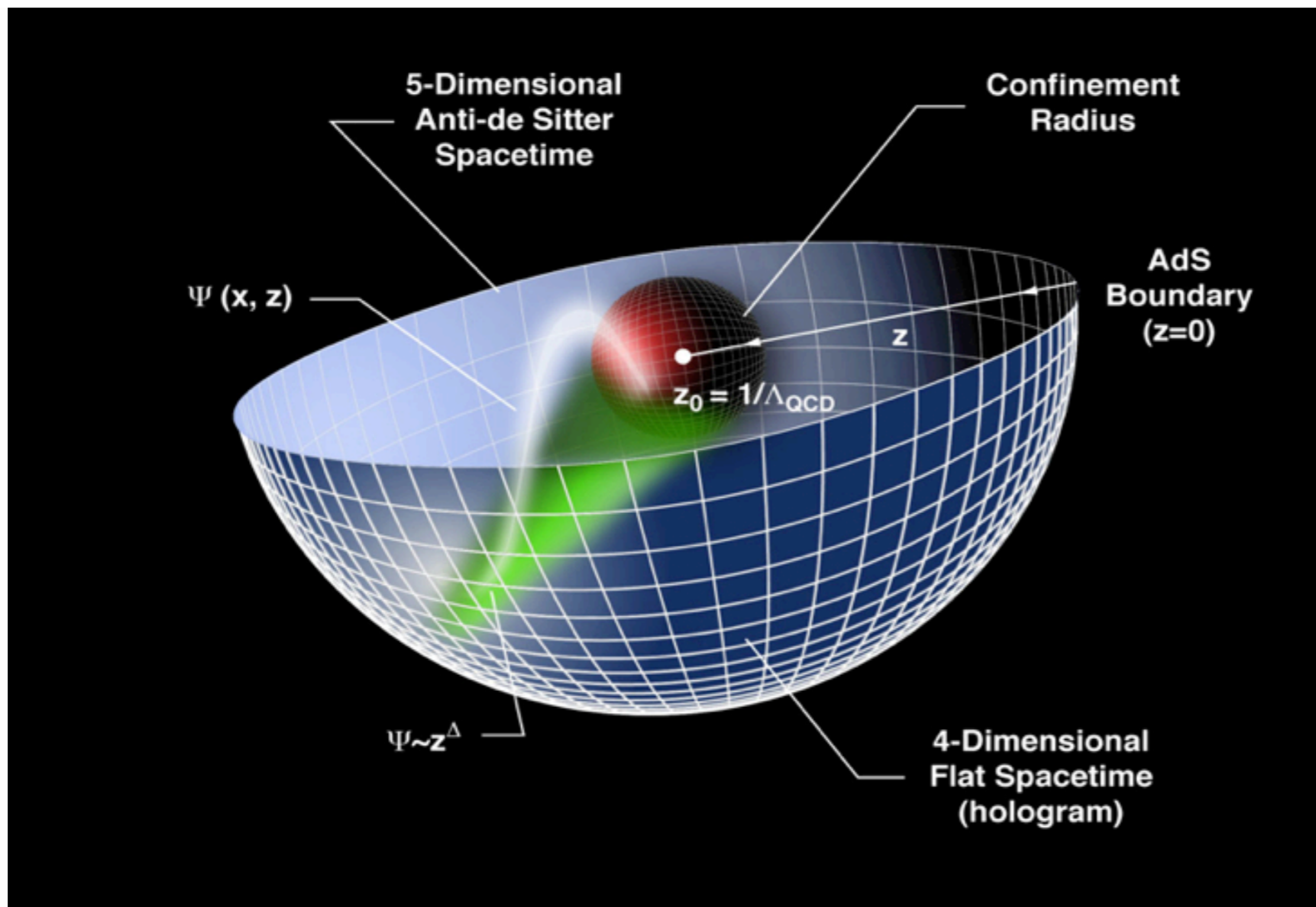
• *Light Front Wavefunctions:* $\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$

off-shell in P^- and invariant mass $\mathcal{M}_{q\bar{q}}^2$



“Hadronization at the Amplitude Level”

Boost-invariant LFWF connects confined quarks and gluons to hadrons



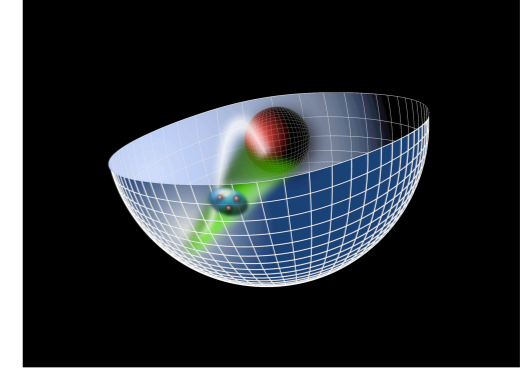
Changes in physical length scale mapped to evolution in the 5th dimension z

AdS₅

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- Truncated AdS/CFT (Hard-Wall) model: cut-off at $z_0 = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ breaks conformal invariance and allows the introduction of the QCD scale (Hard-Wall Model) **Polchinski and Strassler (2001)**.
- Smooth cutoff: introduction of a background dilaton field $\varphi(z)$ – usual linear Regge dependence can be obtained (Soft-Wall Model) **Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006)**.

AdS₅



- Isomorphism of $SO(4, 2)$ of **conformal QCD** with the group of **isometries** of AdS space

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2),$$

invariant measure ←

$x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu, z \rightarrow \lambda z$, maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate z .

- AdS mode in z is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of z correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z.$$

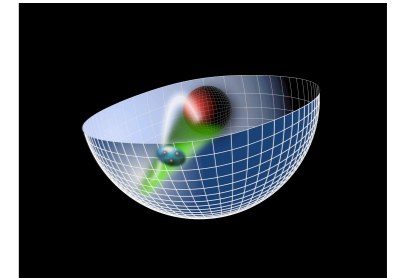
$x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$: invariant separation between quarks

- The AdS boundary at $z \rightarrow 0$ correspond to the $Q \rightarrow \infty$, UV zero separation limit.

AdS/CFT

Dilaton-Modified AdS/QCD

$$ds^2 = e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$$



- **Soft-wall dilaton profile breaks conformal invariance** $e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$
- **Color Confinement in z**
- **Introduces confinement scale κ**
- **Uses AdS₅ as template for conformal theory**

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

Positive-sign dilaton

• Dosch, de Teramond, sjb

AdS Soft-Wall Schrödinger Equation for bound state of two scalar constituents:

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + U(z) \right] \Phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2 \Phi(z)$$

$$U(z) = \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

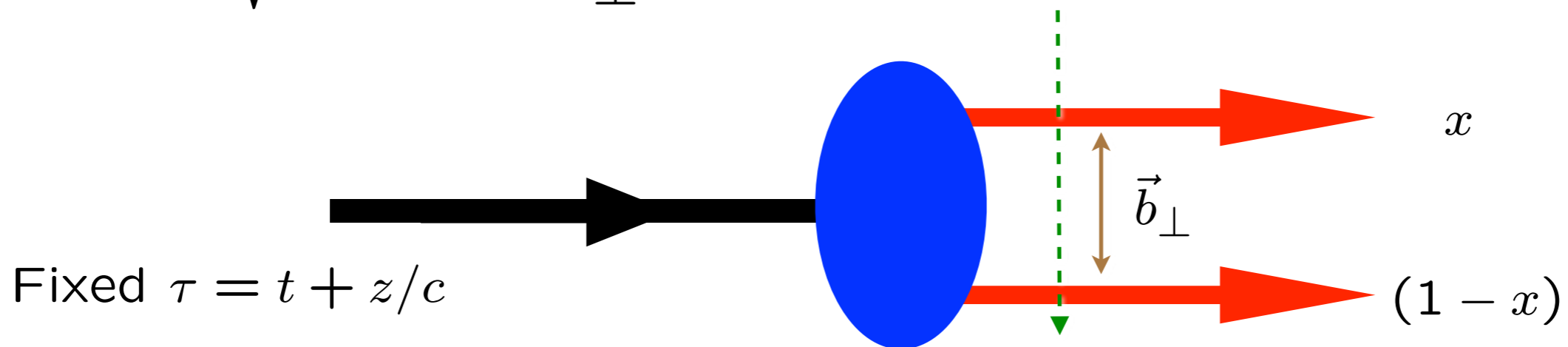
Derived from variation of Action for Dilaton-Modified AdS₅

Identical to Single-Variable Light-Front Bound State Equation in ζ !

$$z \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)\vec{b}_\perp^2}$$

$LF(3+1) \longleftrightarrow AdS_5$

Light-Front Holographic Dictionary

 $\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp) \longleftrightarrow \phi(z)$
 $\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp^2 \longleftrightarrow z$


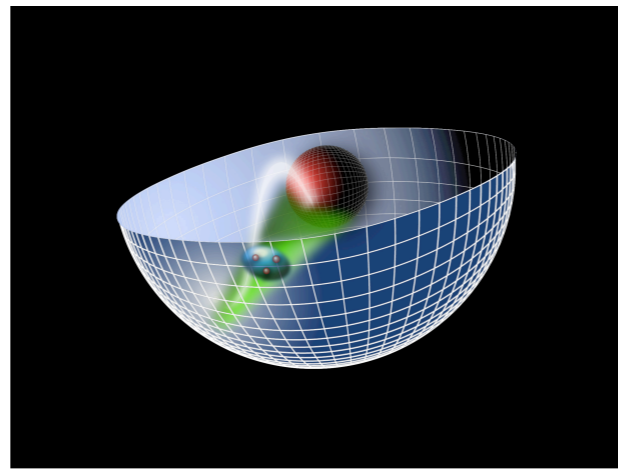
$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \zeta^{-1/2} \phi(\zeta)$$

$$(\mu R)^2 = L^2 - (J - 2)^2$$

Light-Front Holography: Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for EM and gravitational current matrix elements and identical equations of motion

*AdS/QCD
Soft-Wall Model*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$



$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$

Light-Front Holography

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta) \right] \psi(\zeta) = M^2 \psi(\zeta)$$



Light-Front Schrödinger Equation

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L + S - 1)$$

Single variable ζ

***Unique
Confinement Potential!***
*Conformal Symmetry
of the action*

Confinement scale:

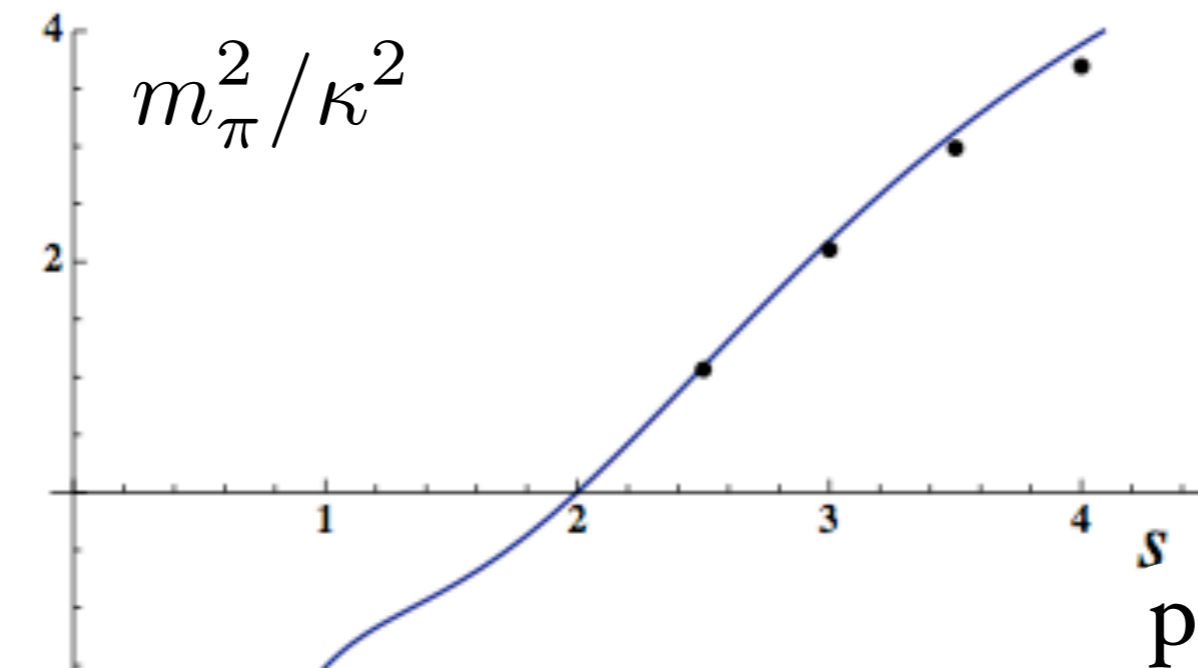
$$\kappa \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

- **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan:**
- **Fubini, Rabinovici**

***Scale can appear in Hamiltonian and EQM
without affecting conformal invariance of action!***

Uniqueness of Dilaton

$$\varphi_p(z) = \kappa^p z^p$$



pion is massless in chiral limit iff
 $p=2!$

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

Superconformal Quantum Mechanics

$$\{\psi, \psi^+\} = 1 \quad B = \frac{1}{2}[\psi^+, \psi] = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_3$$

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2), \quad \psi^+ = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + i\sigma_2)$$

$$Q = \psi^+[-\partial_x + \frac{f}{x}], \quad Q^+ = \psi[\partial_x + \frac{f}{x}], \quad S = \psi^+ x, \quad S^+ = \psi x$$

$$\{Q, Q^+\} = 2H, \quad \{S, S^+\} = 2K$$

$$\{Q, S^+\} = f - B + 2iD, \quad \{Q^+, S\} = f - B - 2iD$$

generates conformal algebra

$$[H, D] = iH, \quad [H, K] = 2iD, \quad [K, D] = -iK$$

$$Q \simeq \sqrt{H}, \quad S \simeq \sqrt{K}$$

Superconformal Quantum Mechanics

**Fubini and
Rabinovici**

Baryon Equation

$$Q \simeq \sqrt{H}, \quad S \simeq \sqrt{K}$$

Consider $R_w = Q + wS;$

w : dimensions of mass squared

$$G = \{R_w, R_w^+\} = 2H + 2w^2K + 2wfI - 2wB \quad 2B = \sigma_3$$

Retains Conformal Invariance of Action

Fubini and Rabinovici

New Extended Hamiltonian G is diagonal:

$$G_{11} = \left(-\partial_x^2 + w^2x^2 + 2wf - w + \frac{4(f + \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

$$G_{22} = \left(-\partial_x^2 + w^2x^2 + 2wf + w + \frac{4(f - \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

Identify $f - \frac{1}{2} = L_B$, $w = \kappa^2$

Eigenvalue of G : $M^2(n, L) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$

$$\left(-\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L_B + 1) + \frac{4L_B^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^+ = M^2 \psi_J^+$$

$$\left(-\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 L_B + \frac{4(L_B + 1)^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^- = M^2 \psi_J^-$$

$$M^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$$

S=1/2, P=+

both chiralities

Meson Equation

$$\left(-\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1) + \frac{4L_M^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \phi_J = M^2 \phi_J$$

$$M^2(n, L_M) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_M)$$

Same n !

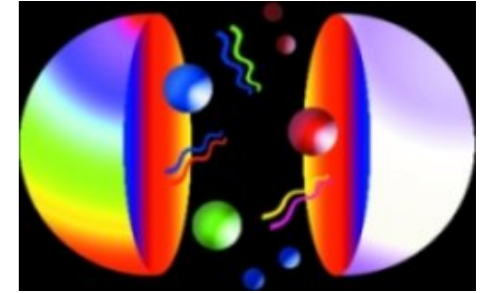
S=0, I=I Meson is superpartner of S=1/2, I=I Baryon

Meson-Baryon Degeneracy for $L_M=L_B+1$

Fermionic Modes and Baryon Spectrum

[Hard wall model: GdT and S. J. Brodsky, PRL **94**, 201601 (2005)]

[Soft wall model: GdT and S. J. Brodsky, (2005), arXiv:1001.5193]



From Nick Evans

- Nucleon LF modes

$$\psi_+(\zeta)_{n,L} = \kappa^{2+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{3/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{L+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

$$\psi_-(\zeta)_{n,L} = \kappa^{3+L} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+L+2}} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{5/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{L+2}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

- Normalization

$$\int d\zeta \psi_+^2(\zeta) = \int d\zeta \psi_-^2(\zeta) = 1$$

*Quark Chiral
Symmetry of
Eigenstate!*

- Eigenvalues

$$\mathcal{M}_{n,L,S=1/2}^2 = 4\kappa^2 (n+L+1)$$

- “Chiral partners”

$$\frac{\mathcal{M}_{N(1535)}}{\mathcal{M}_{N(940)}} = \sqrt{2}$$

Nucleon: Equal Probability for L=0, 1

AdS/QCD + Light Front Holography: Proton is bound state of a quark + scalar diquark

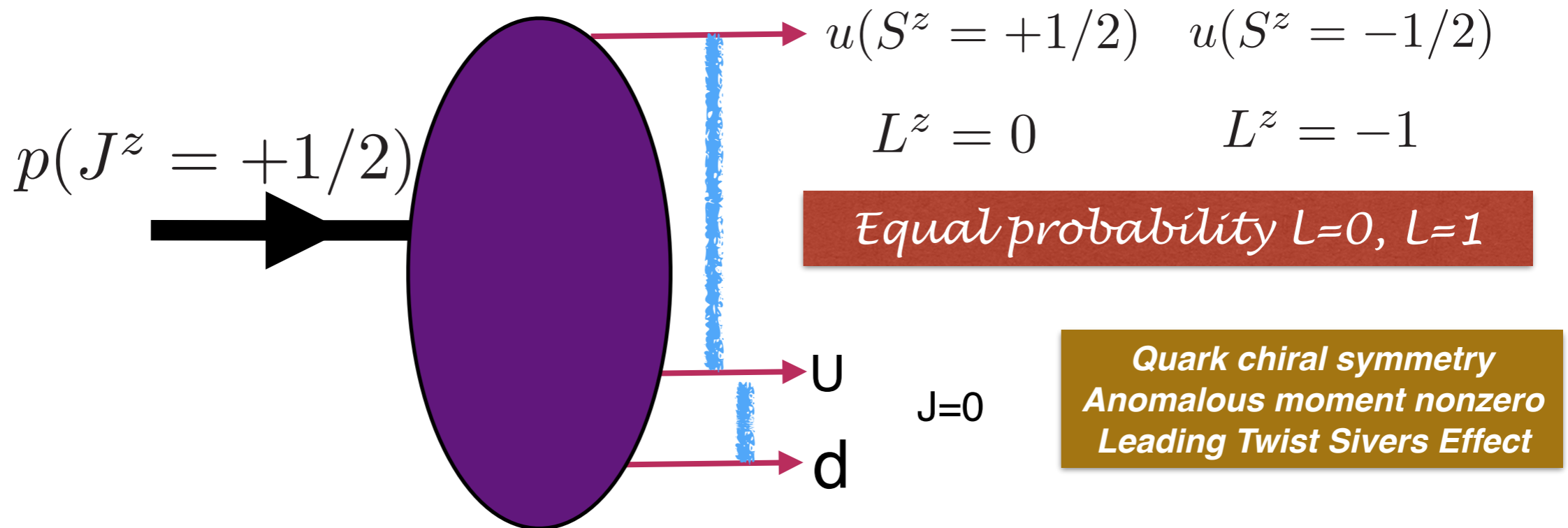
de Teramond, Dosch, Lorce, sjb

Skyrme model: Ellis, Karliner, sjb

LF J^z conservation: K. Chiu, sjb

$$3_C \times 3_C = \bar{3}_C + \cancel{6_C}$$

$$|p\rangle = |u_{3_C} [ud]_{\bar{3}_C}\rangle$$



Gluonic distribution reflects quark+diquark color structure of the proton

Color confinement potential \rightarrow high density gluon field: flux tube

Collisions of flux tubes of protons

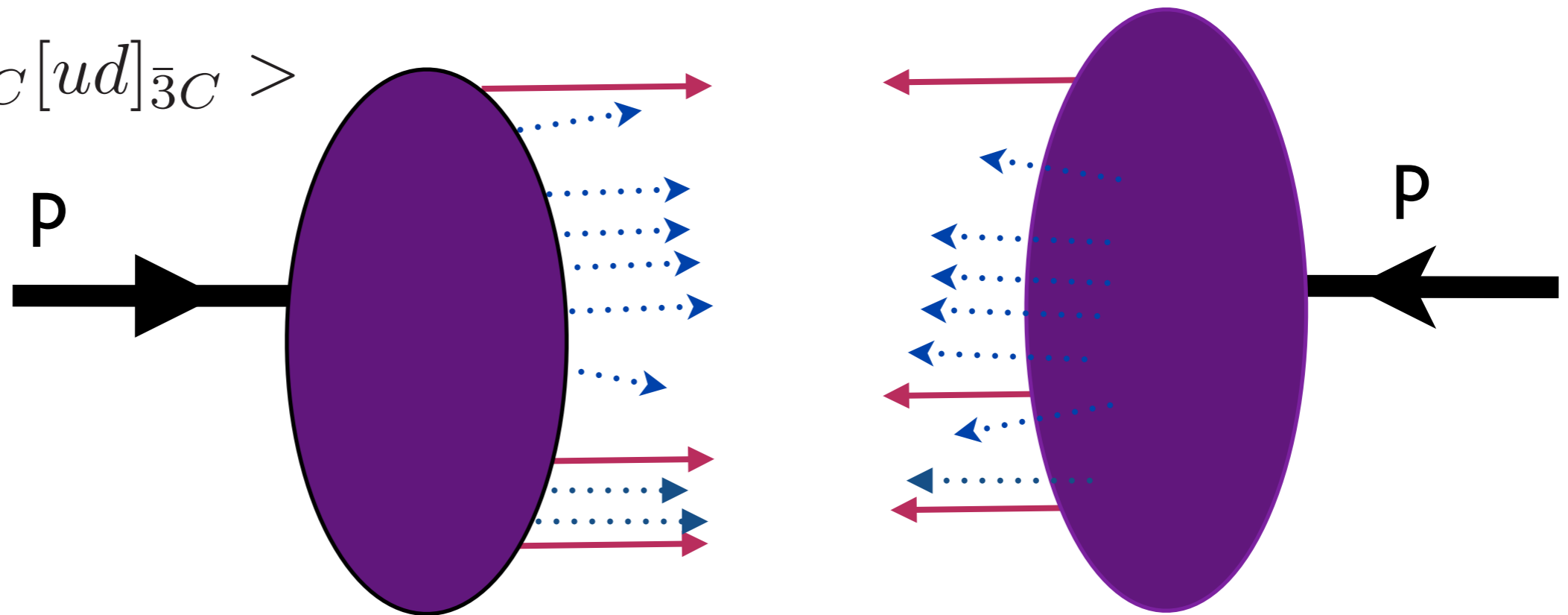
Color confinement potential \rightarrow high density gluon field: flux tube

Highest hadron multiplicity produced when the two flux tubes are aligned and overlap completely along their length.

Hadrons produced from the collisions of flux tubes

Bjorken, Goldhaber, sjb

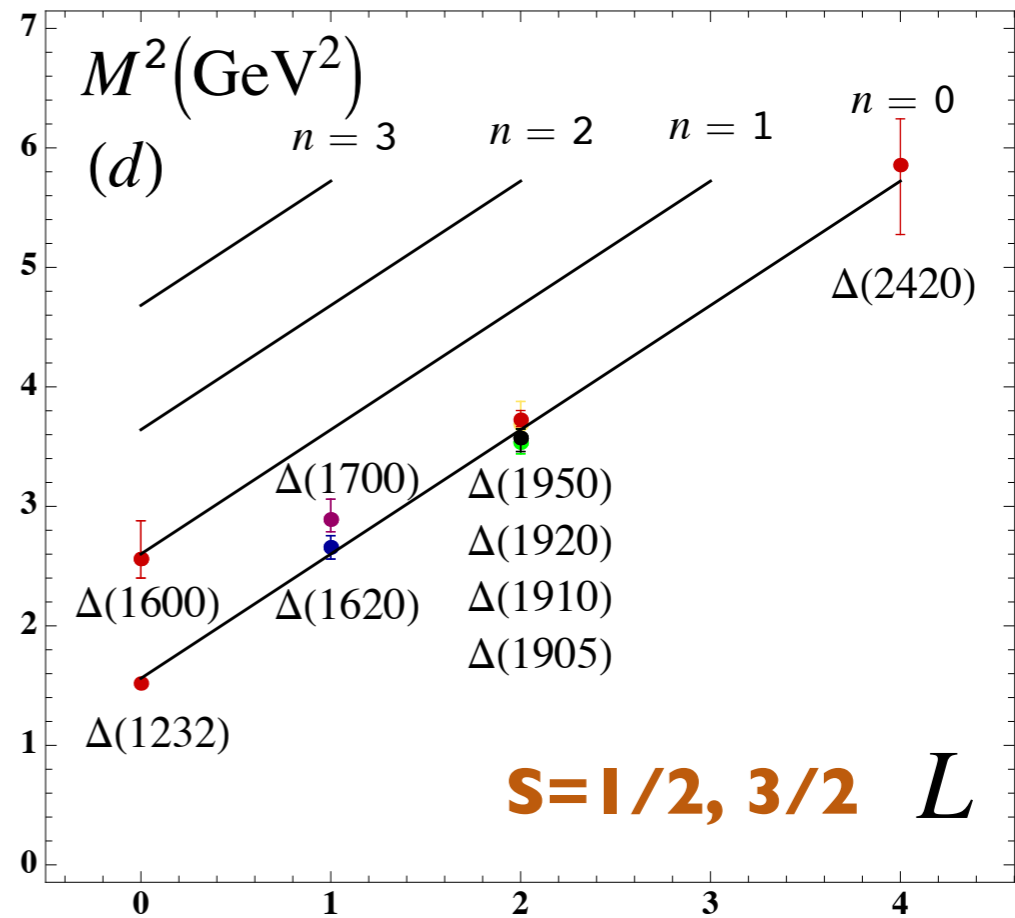
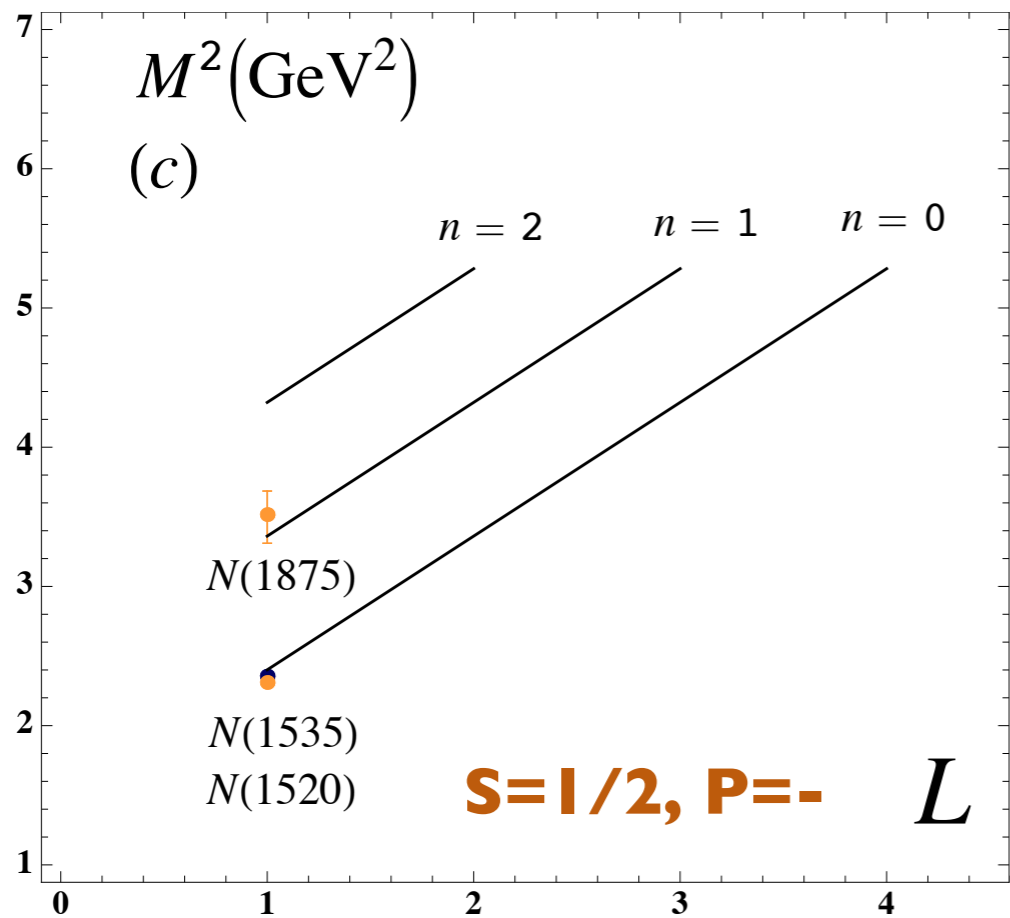
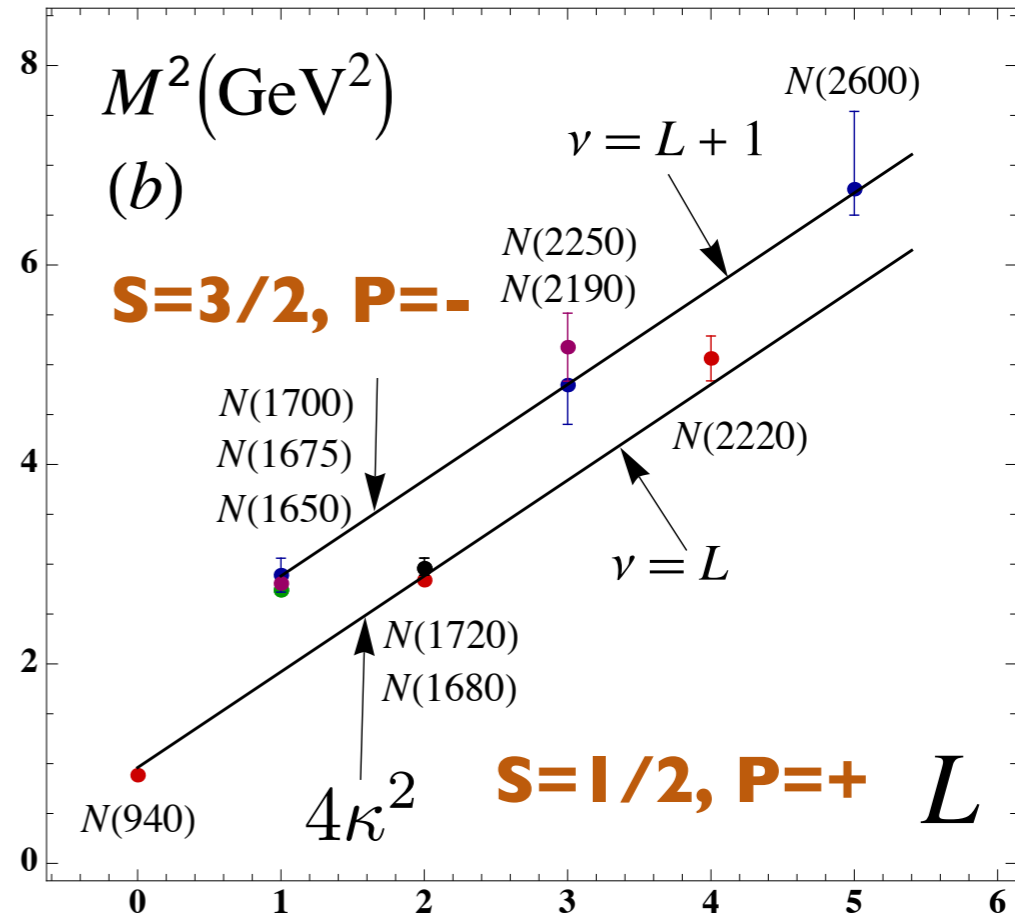
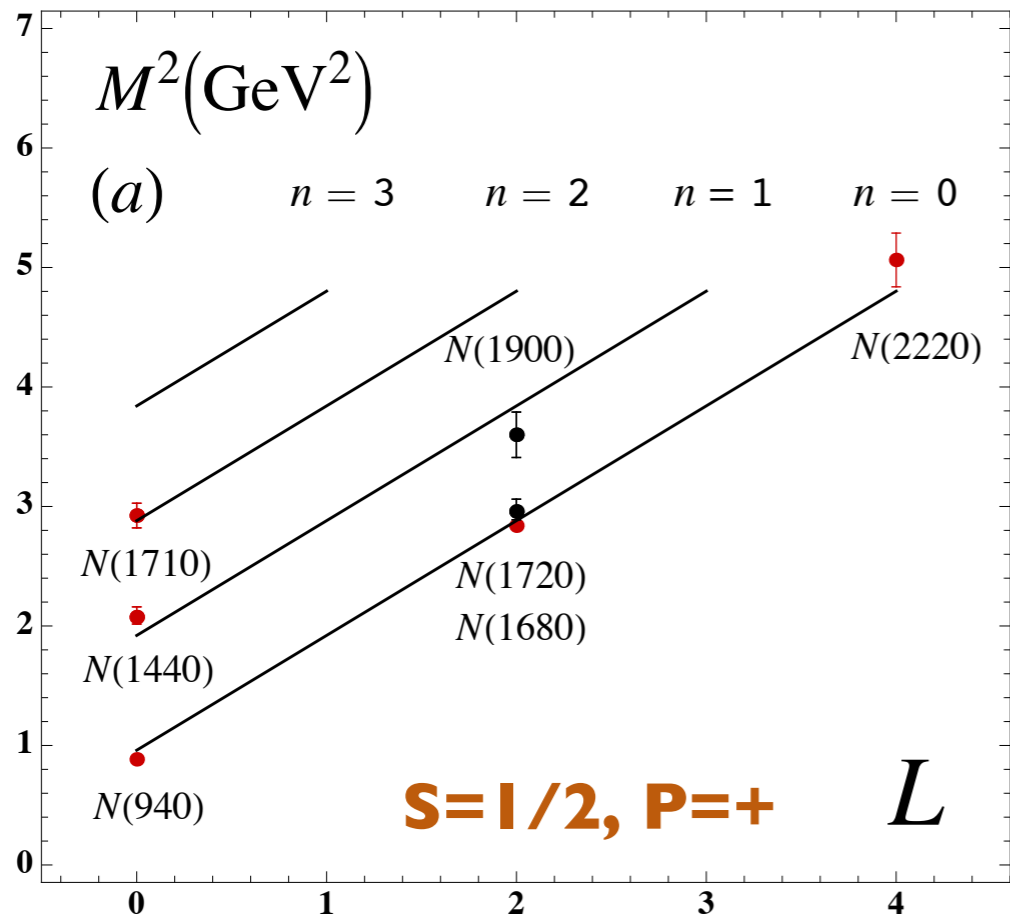
$$|p\rangle = |u_3C [ud] \bar{3}_C\rangle$$



Gluonic distribution reflects quark+diquark color structure of the protons

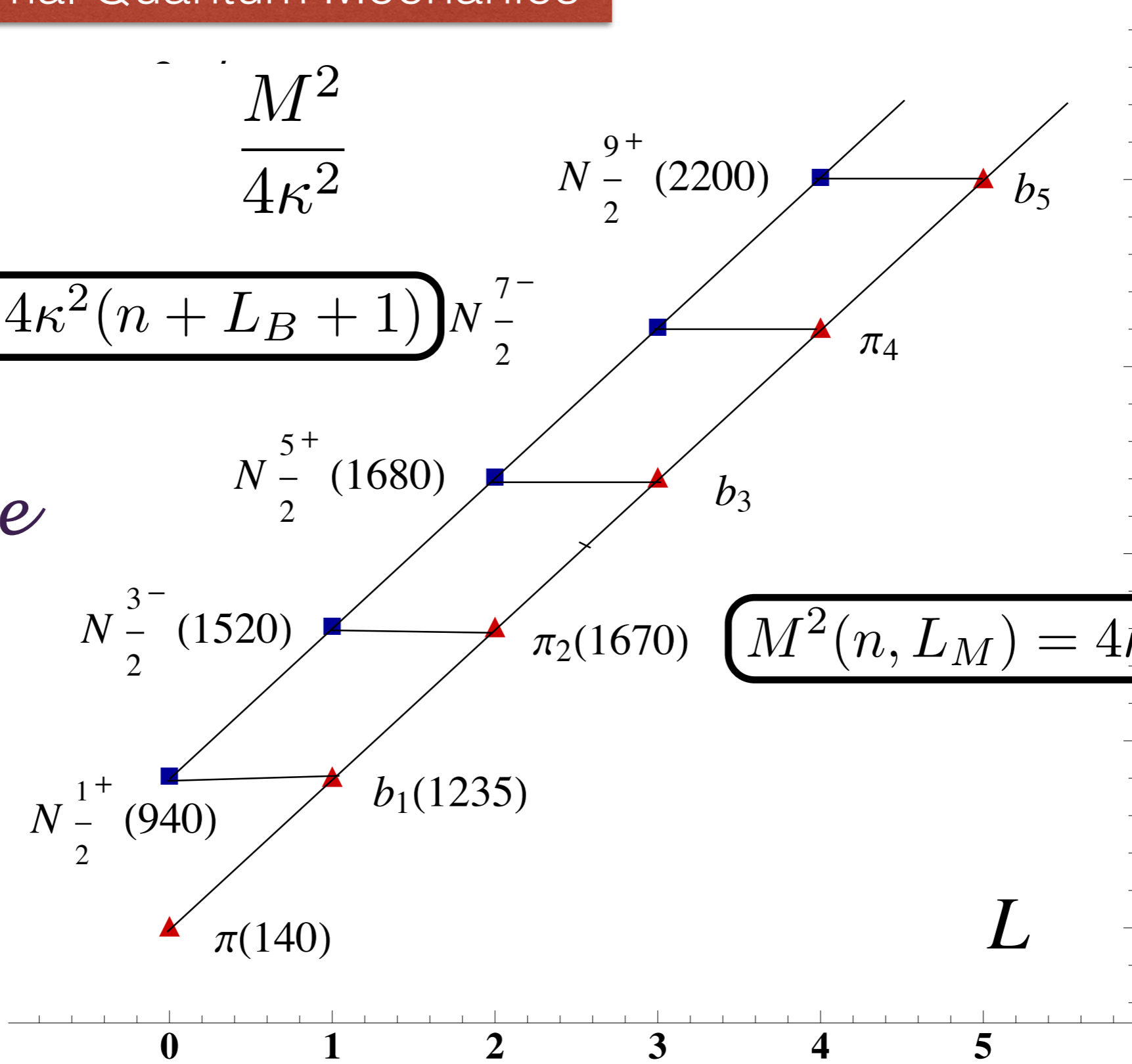
v_2 (dominant) + v_3 (from 'Y' quark + diquark configurations)

- Strangeness and charm enhancements



$$M^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$$

Same slope

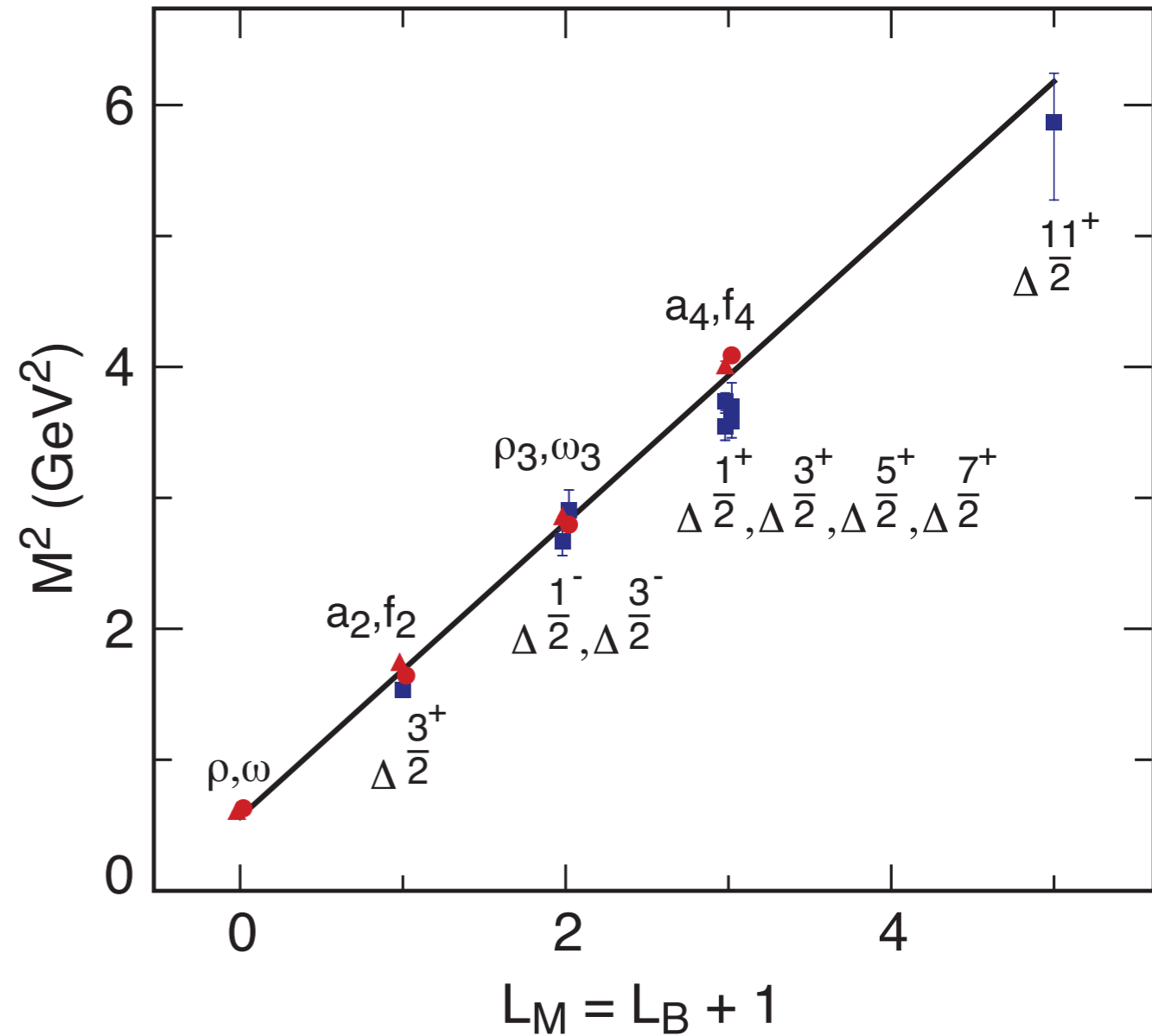
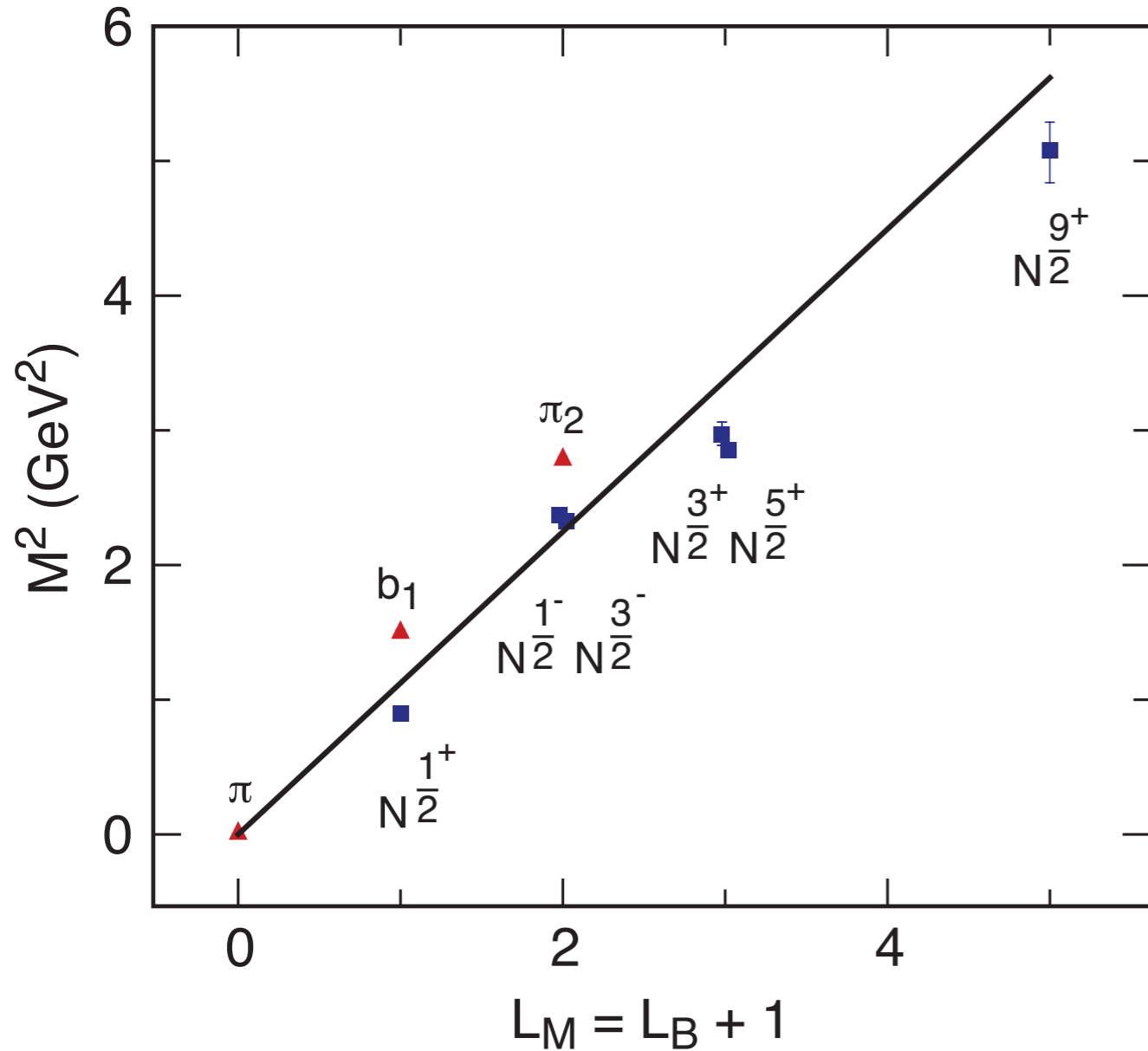


$$M^2(n, L_M) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_M)$$

$$\frac{M_{meson}^2}{M_{nucleon}^2} = \frac{n + L_M}{n + L_B + 1}$$

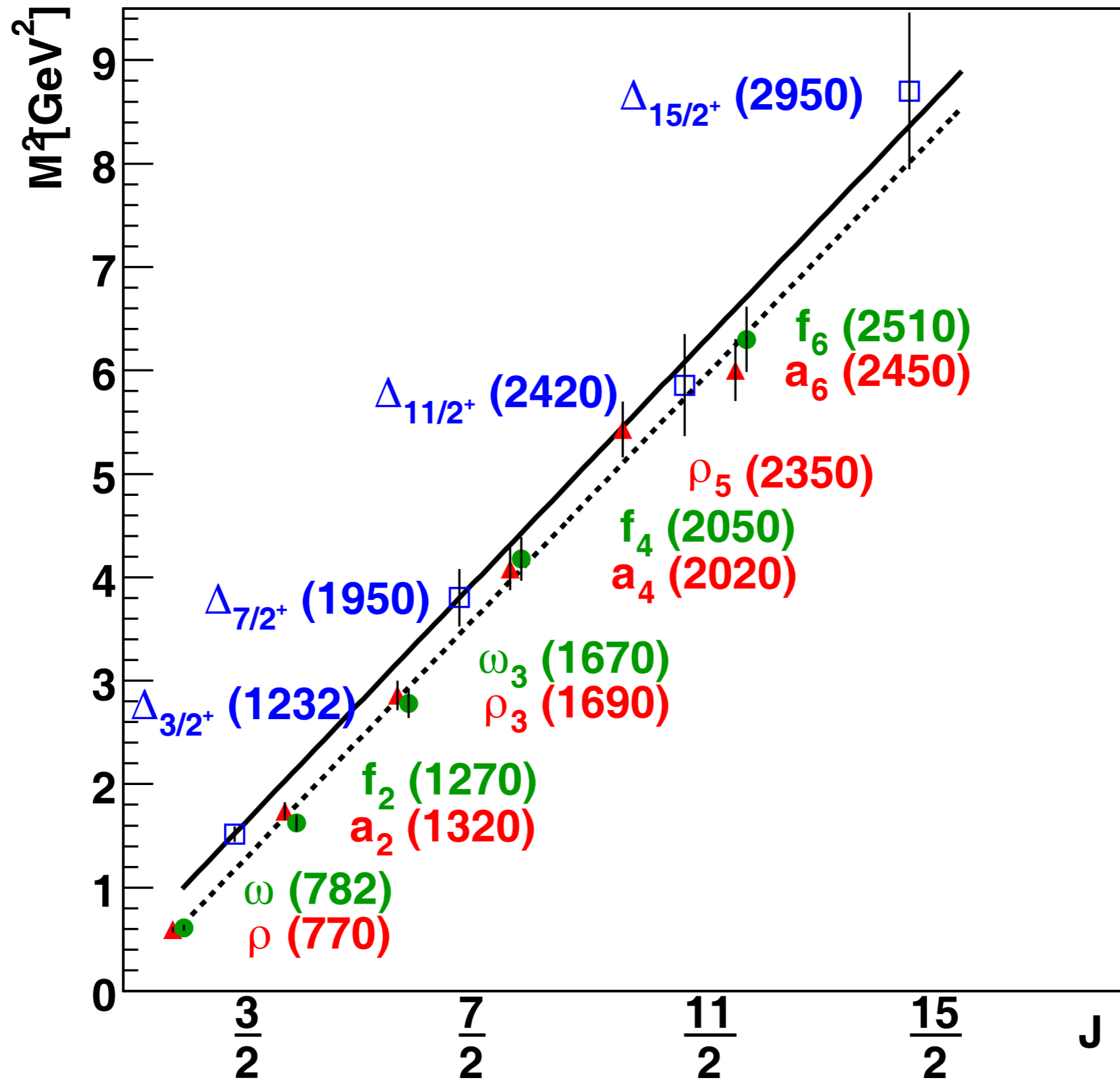
**Meson-Baryon
Mass Degeneracy
for $L_M=L_B+1$**

Solid line: $\kappa = 0.53 \text{ GeV}$



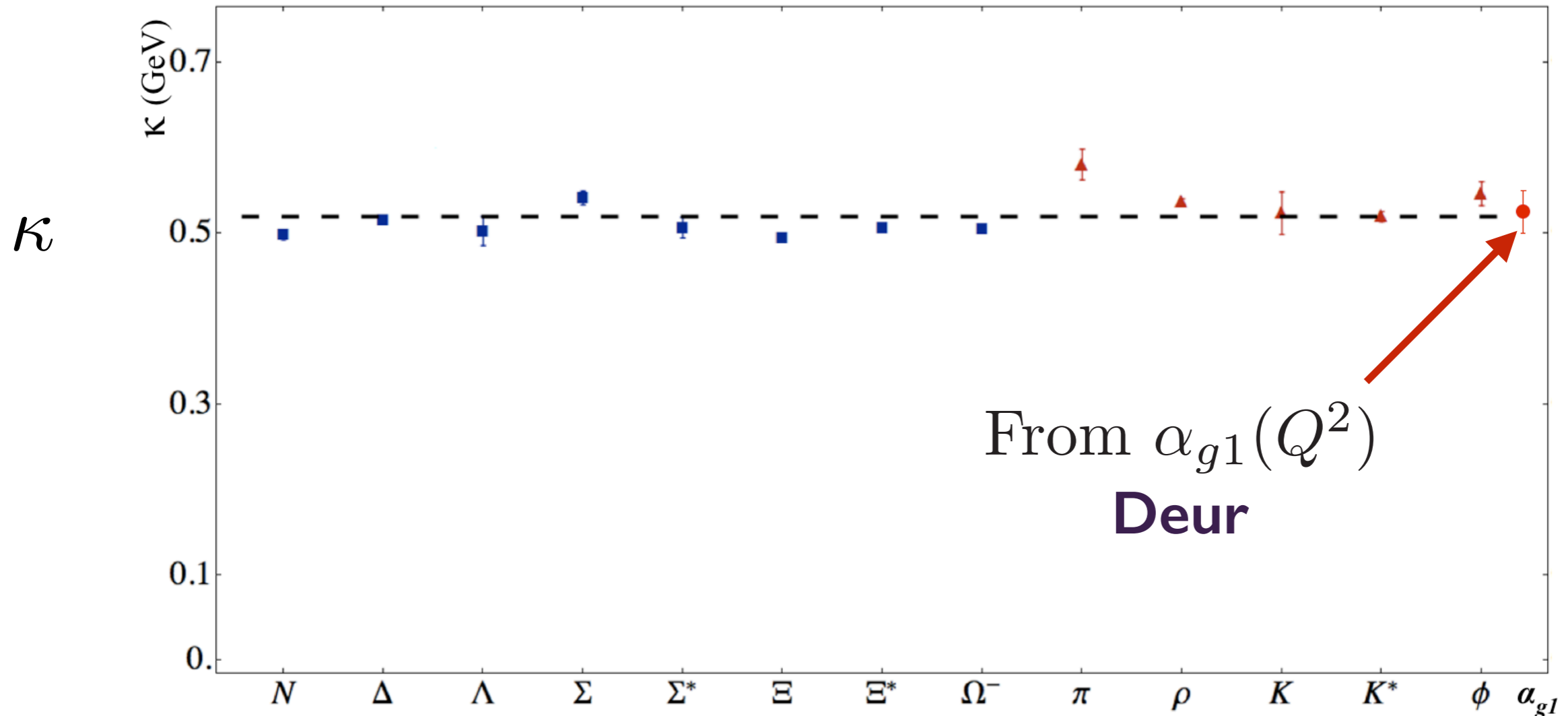
Superconformal meson-nucleon partners

de Tèramond, Dosch, sjb



The leading Regge trajectory: Δ resonances with maximal J in a given mass range. Also shown is the Regge trajectory for mesons with $J = L + S$.

$$m_u = m_d = 46 \text{ MeV}, m_s = 357 \text{ MeV}$$



**Fit to the slope of Regge trajectories,
including radial excitations**

**Same Regge Slope for Meson, Baryons:
Supersymmetric feature of hadron physics**

Chiral Features of Soft-Wall AdS/QCD Model

- **Boost Invariant**
- **Trivial LF vacuum! No condensate, but consistent with GMOR**
- **Massless Pion**
- **Hadron Eigenstates (even the pion) have LF Fock components of different L^z**
- **Proton: equal probability** $S^z = +1/2, L^z = 0; S^z = -1/2, L^z = +1$

$$J^z = +1/2 : \langle L^z \rangle = 1/2, \langle S_q^z \rangle = 0$$

- **Self-Dual Massive Eigenstates: Proton is its own chiral partner.**
- **Label State by minimum L as in Atomic Physics**
- **Minimum L dominates at short distances**
- **AdS/QCD Dictionary: Match to Interpolating Operator Twist at $z=0$.**

No mass-degenerate parity partners!

Space-Like Dirac Proton Form Factor

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors

$$F_+(Q^2) = g_+ \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2,$$

where the effective charges g_+ and g_- are determined from the spin-flavor structure of the theory.

- Choose the struck quark to have $S^z = +1/2$. The two AdS solutions $\psi_+(\zeta)$ and $\psi_-(\zeta)$ correspond to nucleons with $J^z = +1/2$ and $-1/2$.
- For $SU(6)$ spin-flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) [|\psi_+(\zeta)|^2 - |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2],$$

where $F_1^p(0) = 1$, $F_1^n(0) = 0$.

- Compute Dirac proton form factor using SU(6) flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} V(Q, z) \Psi_+^2(z)$$

- Nucleon AdS wave function

$$\Psi_+(z) = \frac{\kappa^{2+L}}{R^2} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} z^{7/2+L} L_n^{L+1}(\kappa^2 z^2) e^{-\kappa^2 z^2/2}$$

- Normalization ($F_1^p(0) = 1$, $V(Q=0, z) = 1$)

$$R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^2(z) = 1$$

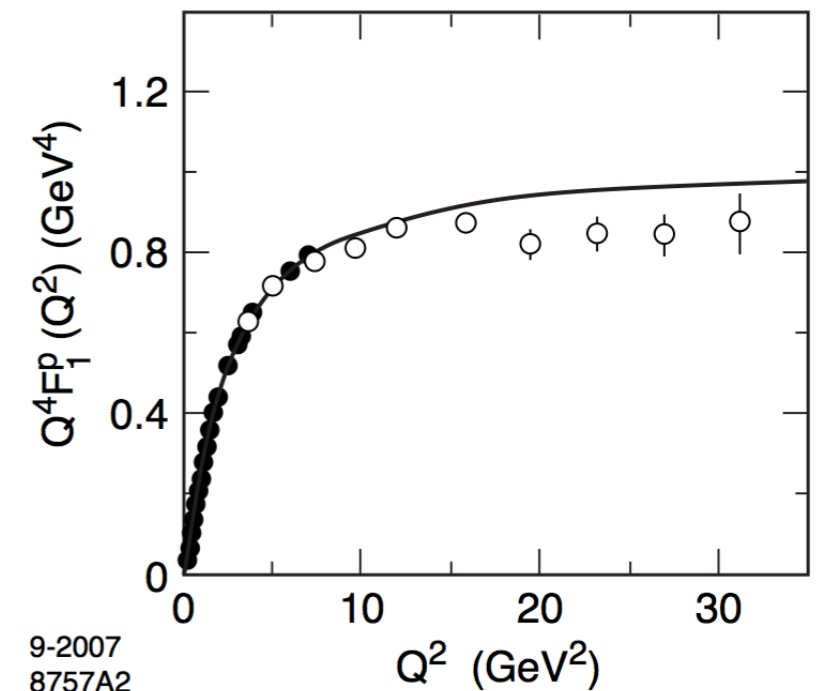
- Bulk-to-boundary propagator [Grigoryan and Radyushkin (2007)]

$$V(Q, z) = \kappa^2 z^2 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(1-x)^2} x^{\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2 x/(1-x)}$$

- Find

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right)}$$

with $\mathcal{M}_{\rho_n}^2 \rightarrow 4\kappa^2(n + 1/2)$



Nucleon Transition Form Factors

- Compute spin non-flip EM transition $N(940) \rightarrow N^*(1440)$: $\Psi_+^{n=0,L=0} \rightarrow \Psi_+^{n=1,L=0}$
- Transition form factor

$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^{n=1,L=0}(z) V(Q, z) \Psi_+^{n=0,L=0}(z)$$

- Orthonormality of Laguerre functions $(F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(0) = 0, \quad V(Q=0, z) = 1)$

$$R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^{n',L}(z) \Psi_+^{n,L}(z) = \delta_{n,n'}$$

- Find

$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{\frac{Q^2}{M_P^2}}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho''}^2}\right)}$$

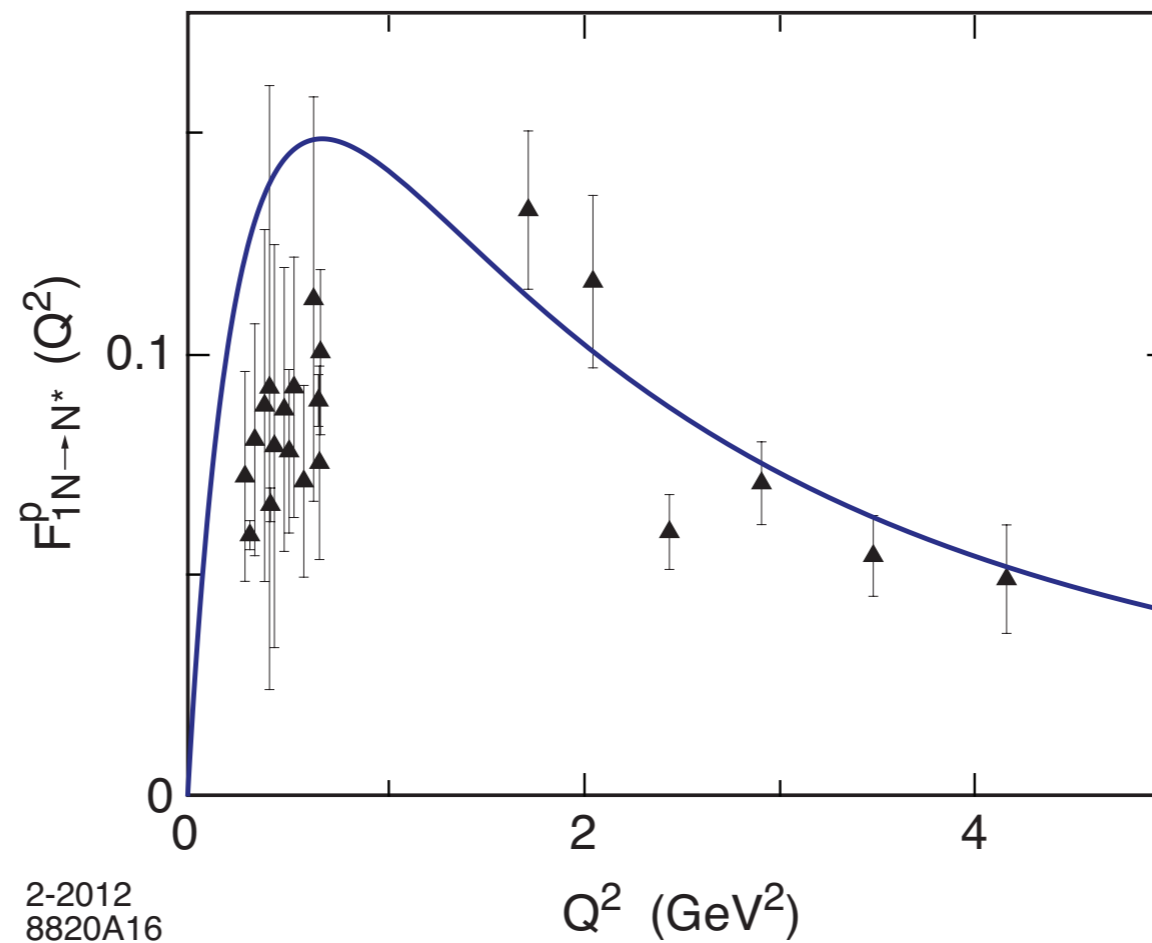
with $\mathcal{M}_{\rho n}^2 \rightarrow 4\kappa^2(n + 1/2)$

de Teramond, sjb

Consistent with counting rule, twist 3

Nucleon Transition Form Factors

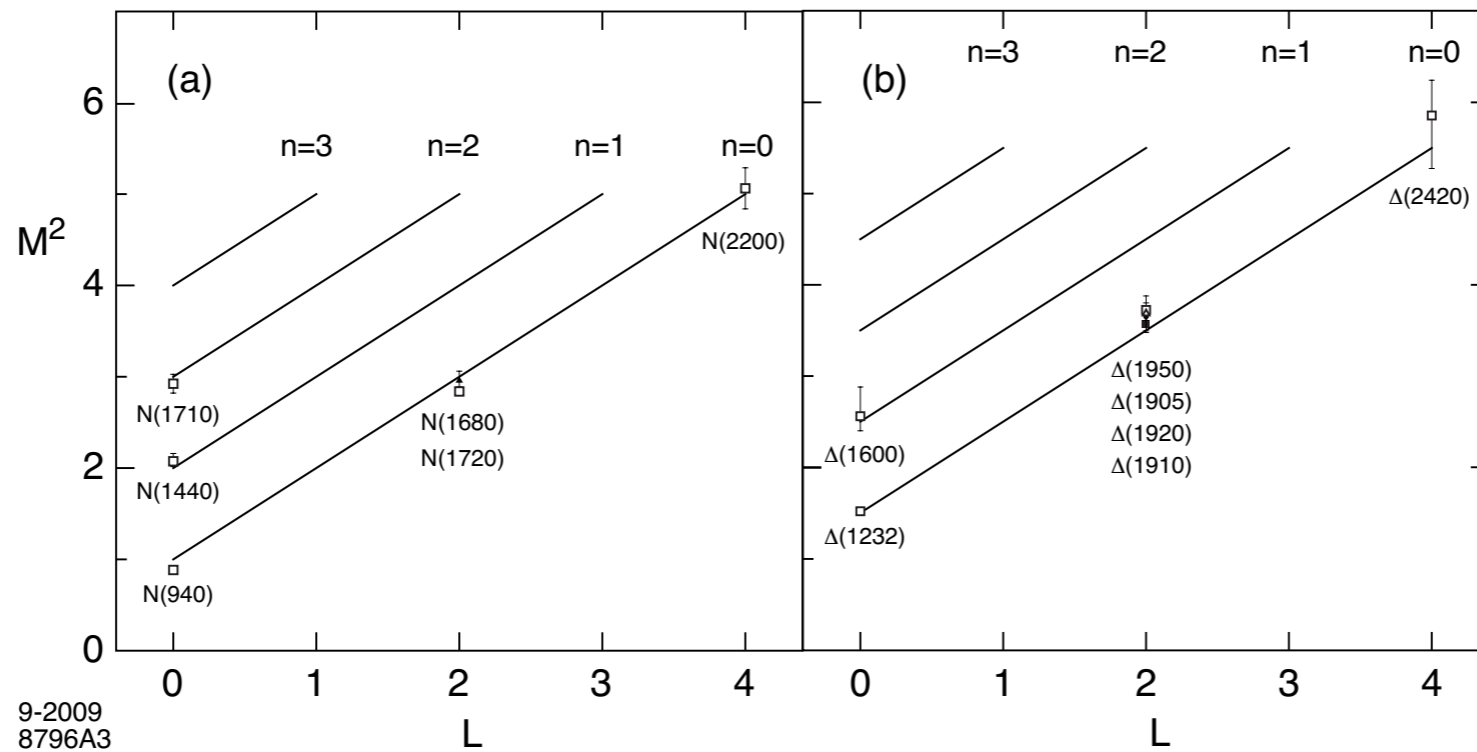
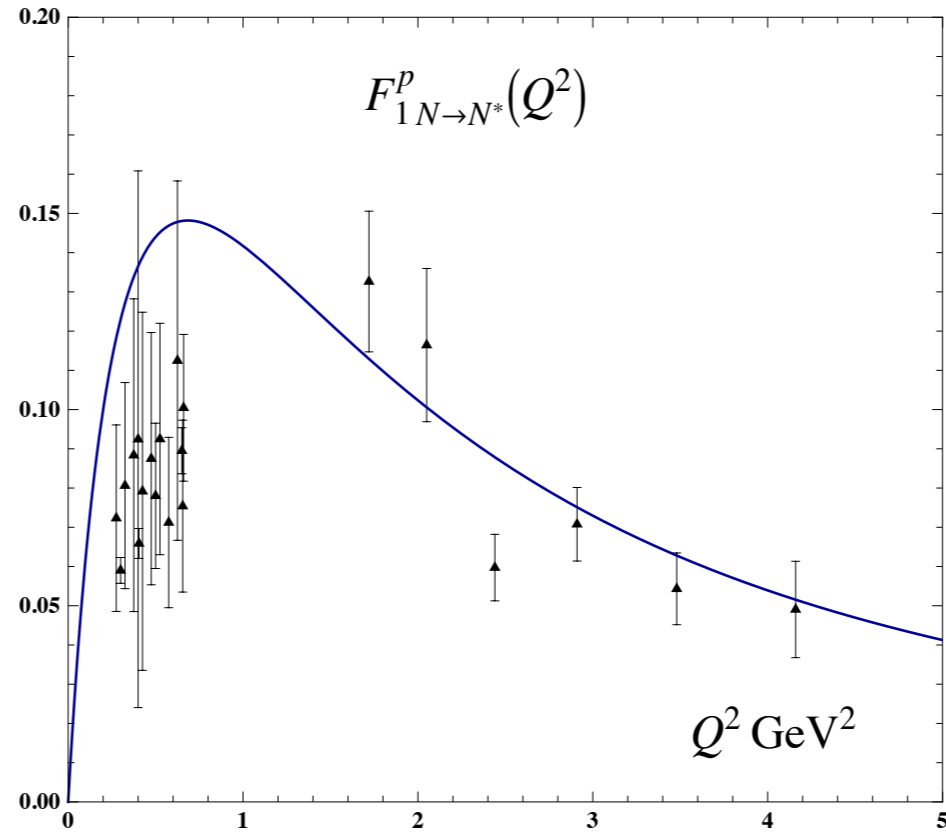
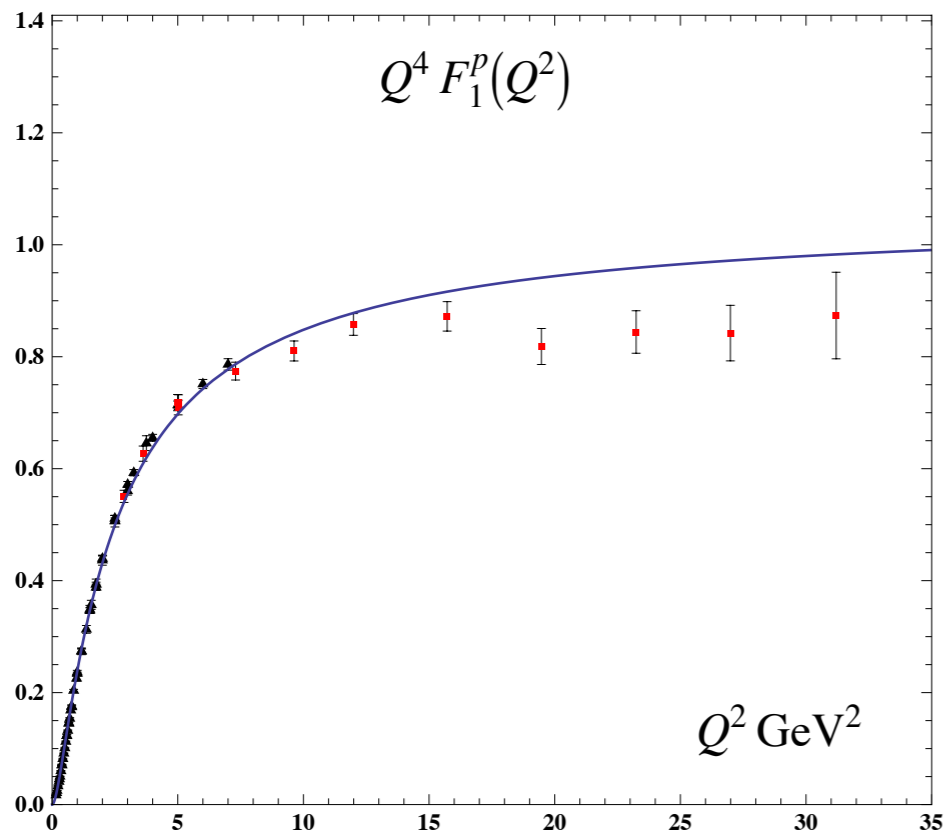
$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{\frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho''}^2}\right)}.$$



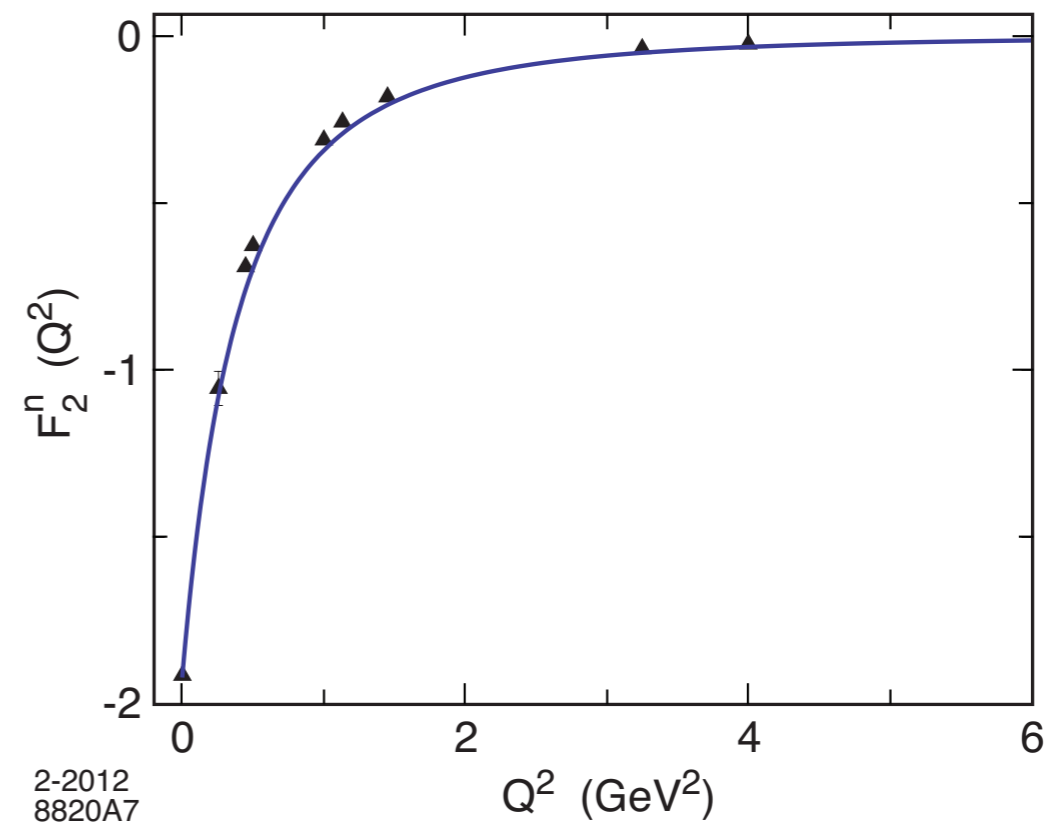
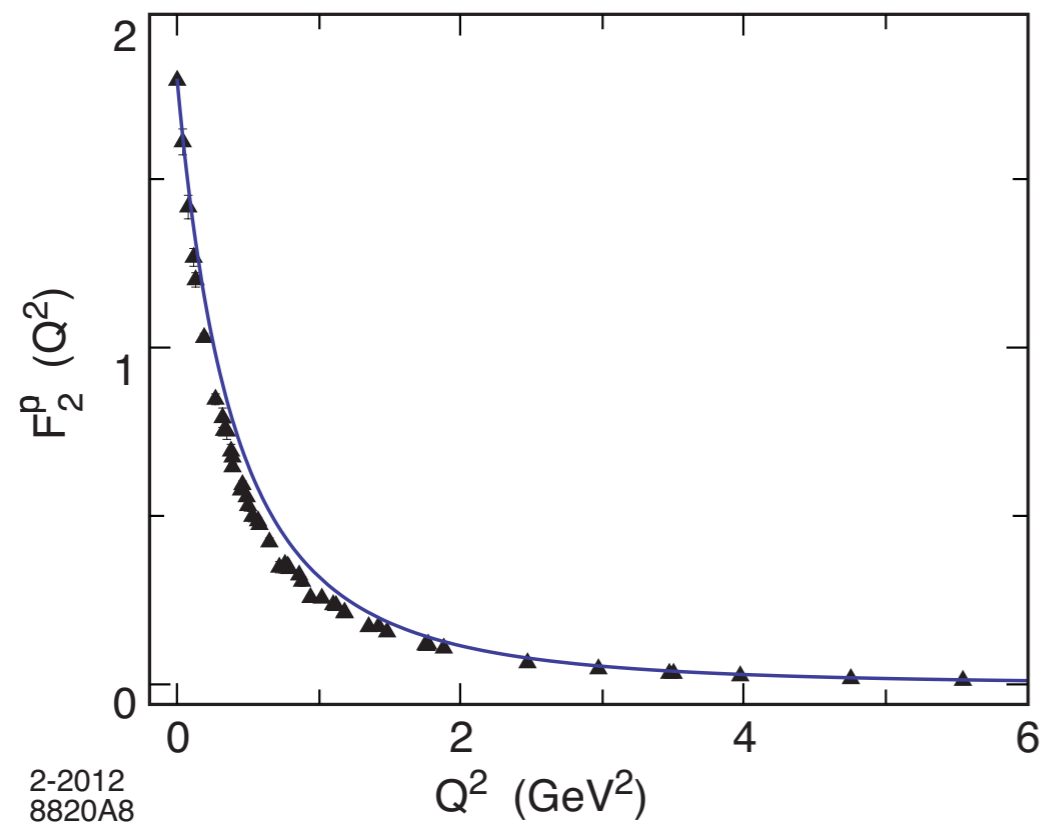
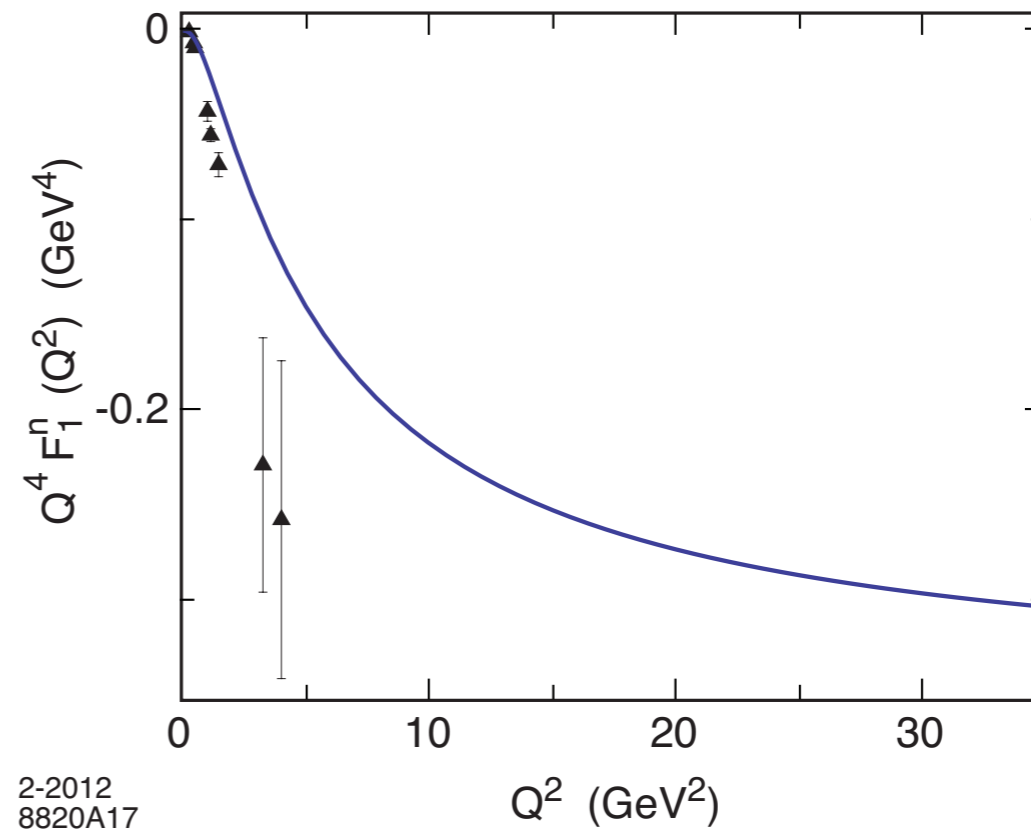
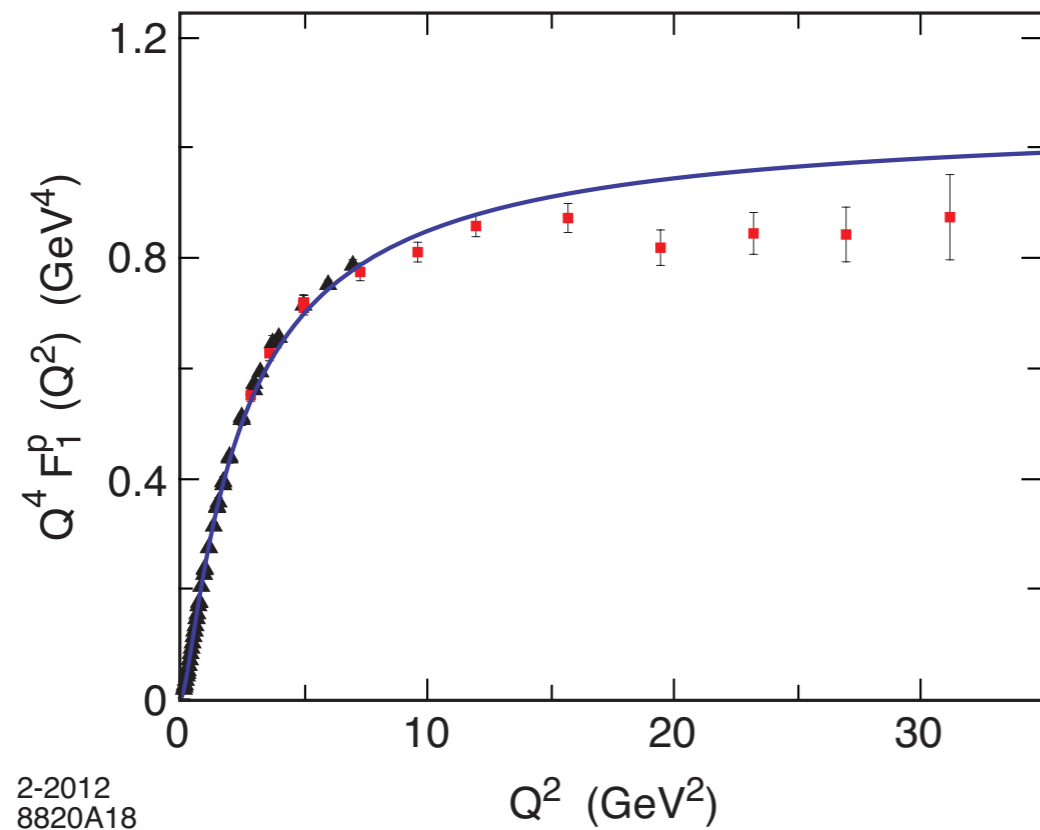
Proton transition form factor to the first radial excited state. Data from JLab

Excited Baryons in Holographic QCD

G. de Teramond & sjb

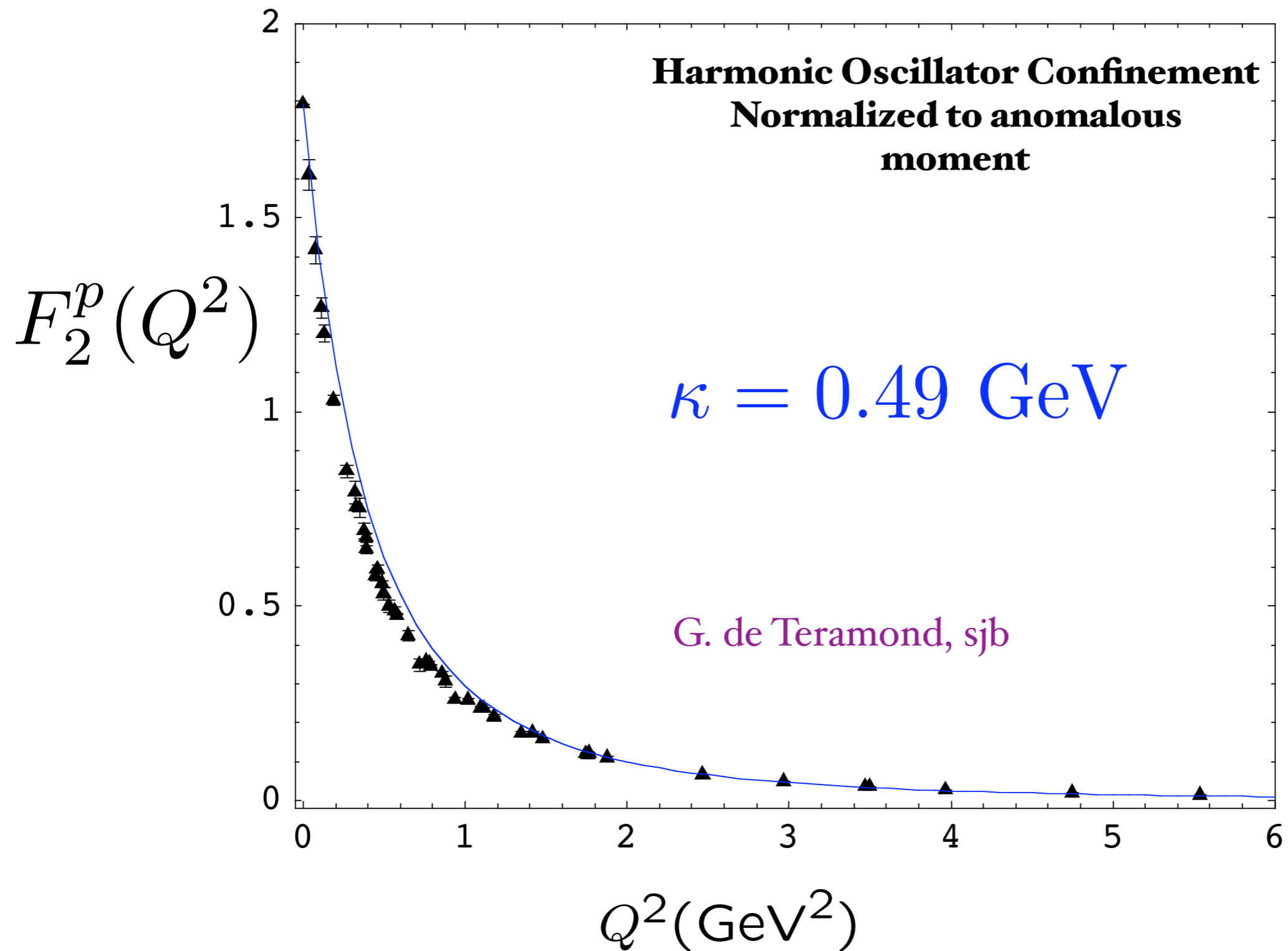


Using $SU(6)$ flavor symmetry and normalization to static quantities



Spacelike Pauli Form Factor

From overlap of $L = 1$ and $L = 0$ LFWFs



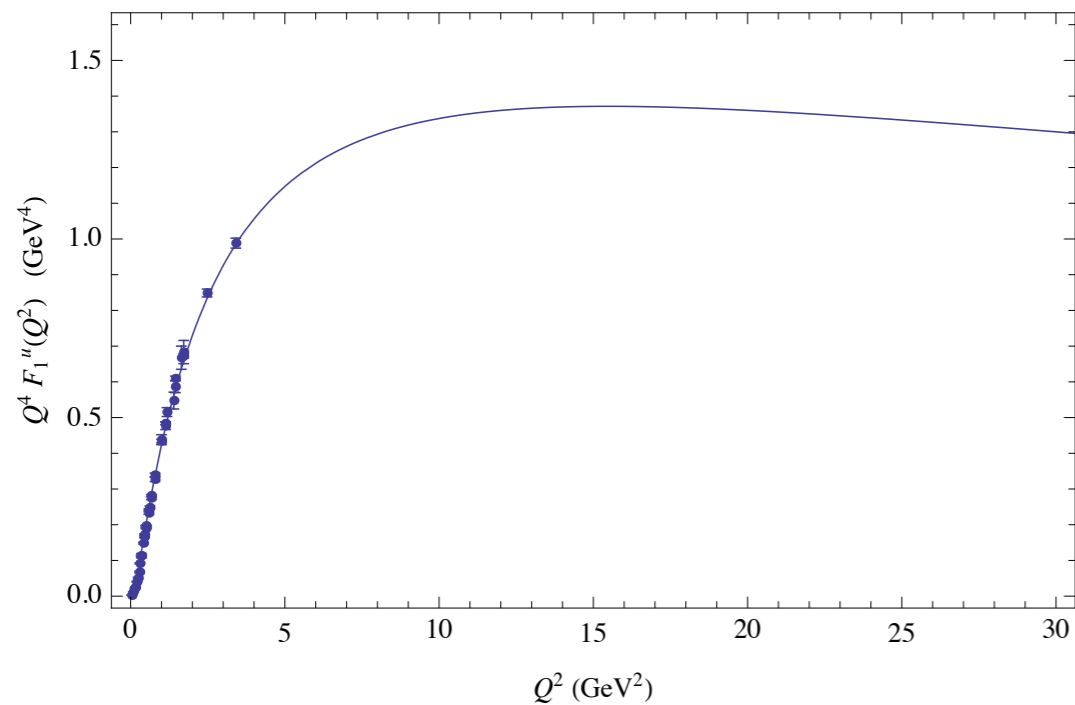


FIG. 9: Dirac u quark form factor multiplied by Q^4 .

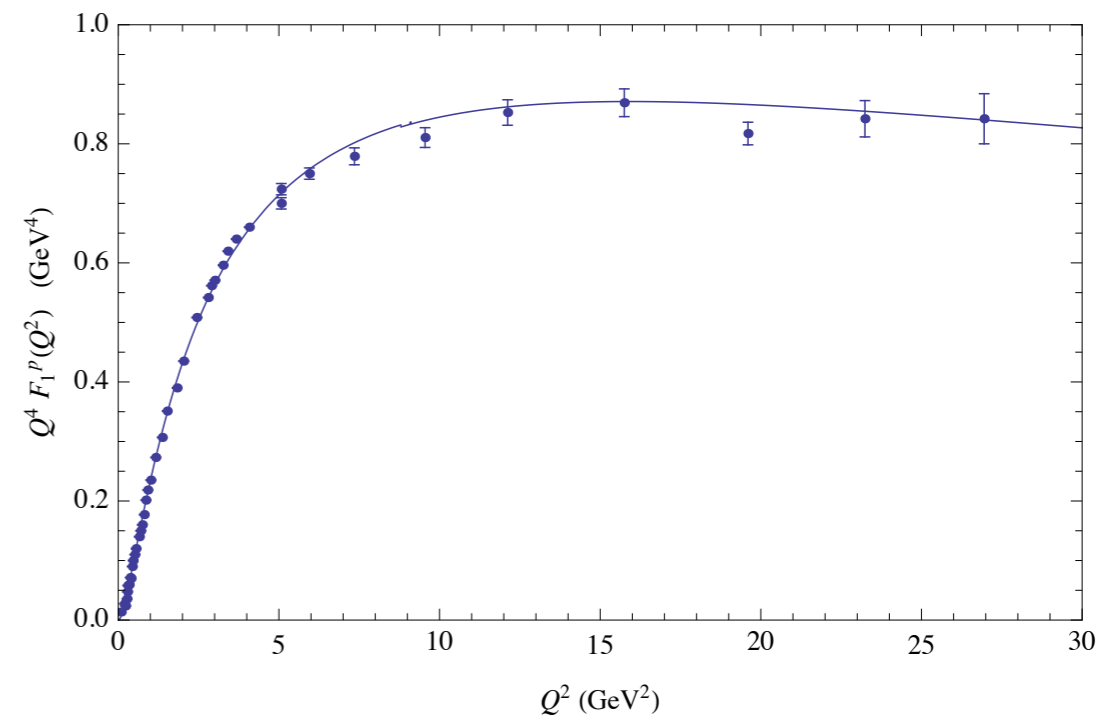


FIG. 13: Dirac proton form factor multiplied by Q^4 .

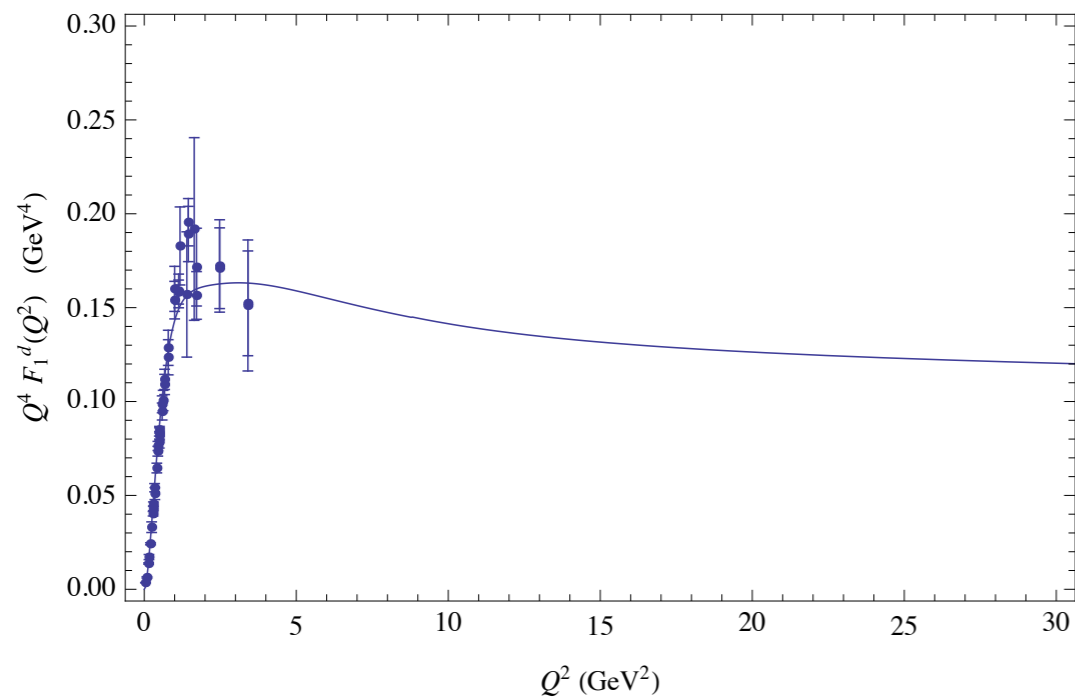


FIG. 10: Dirac d quark form factor multiplied by Q^4 .

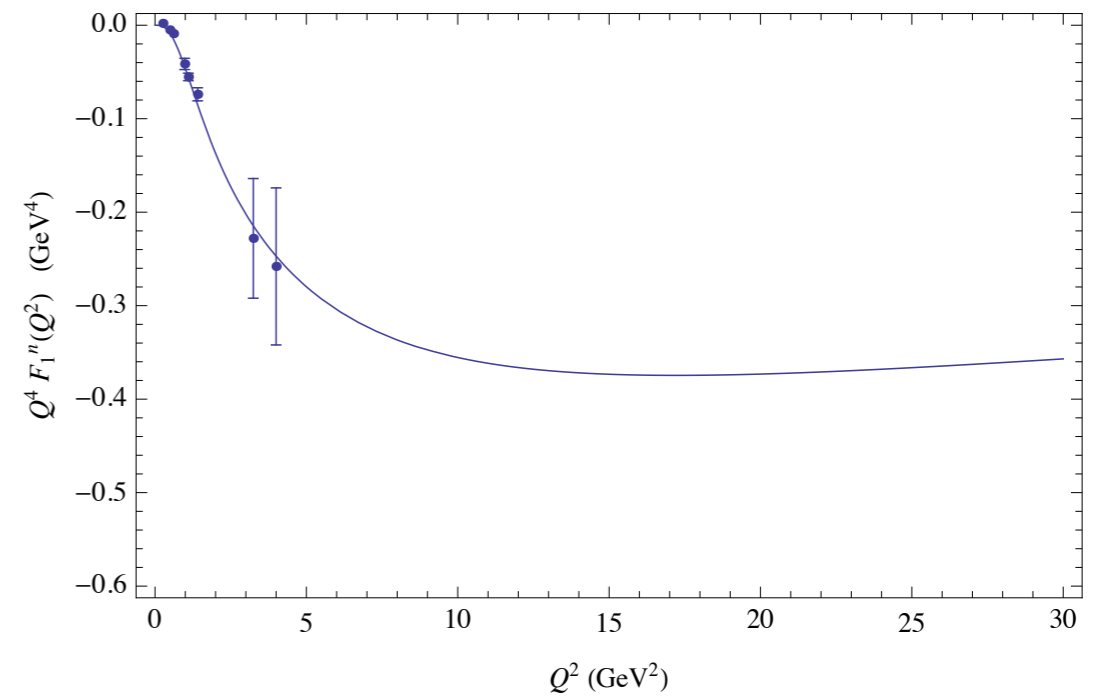
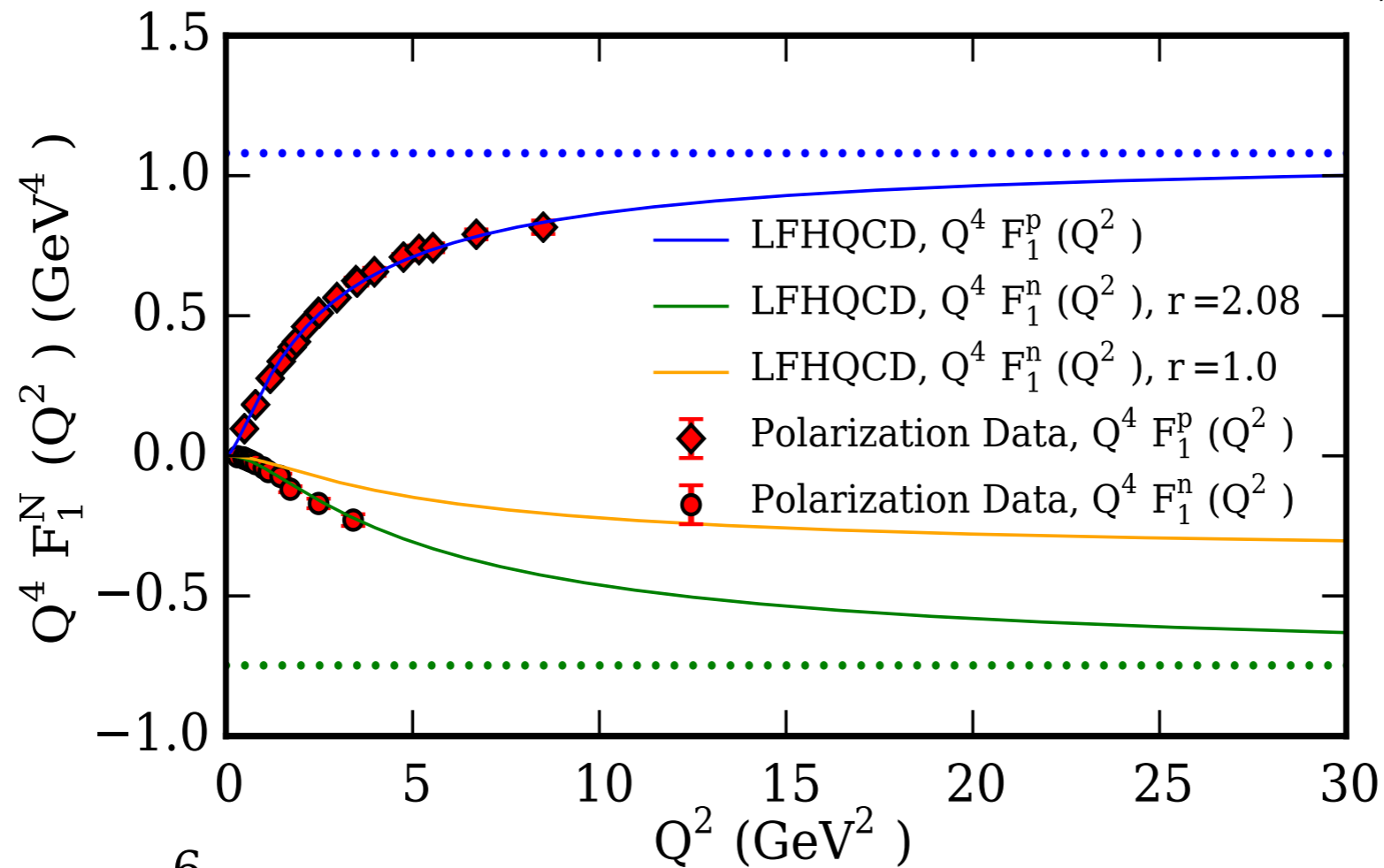


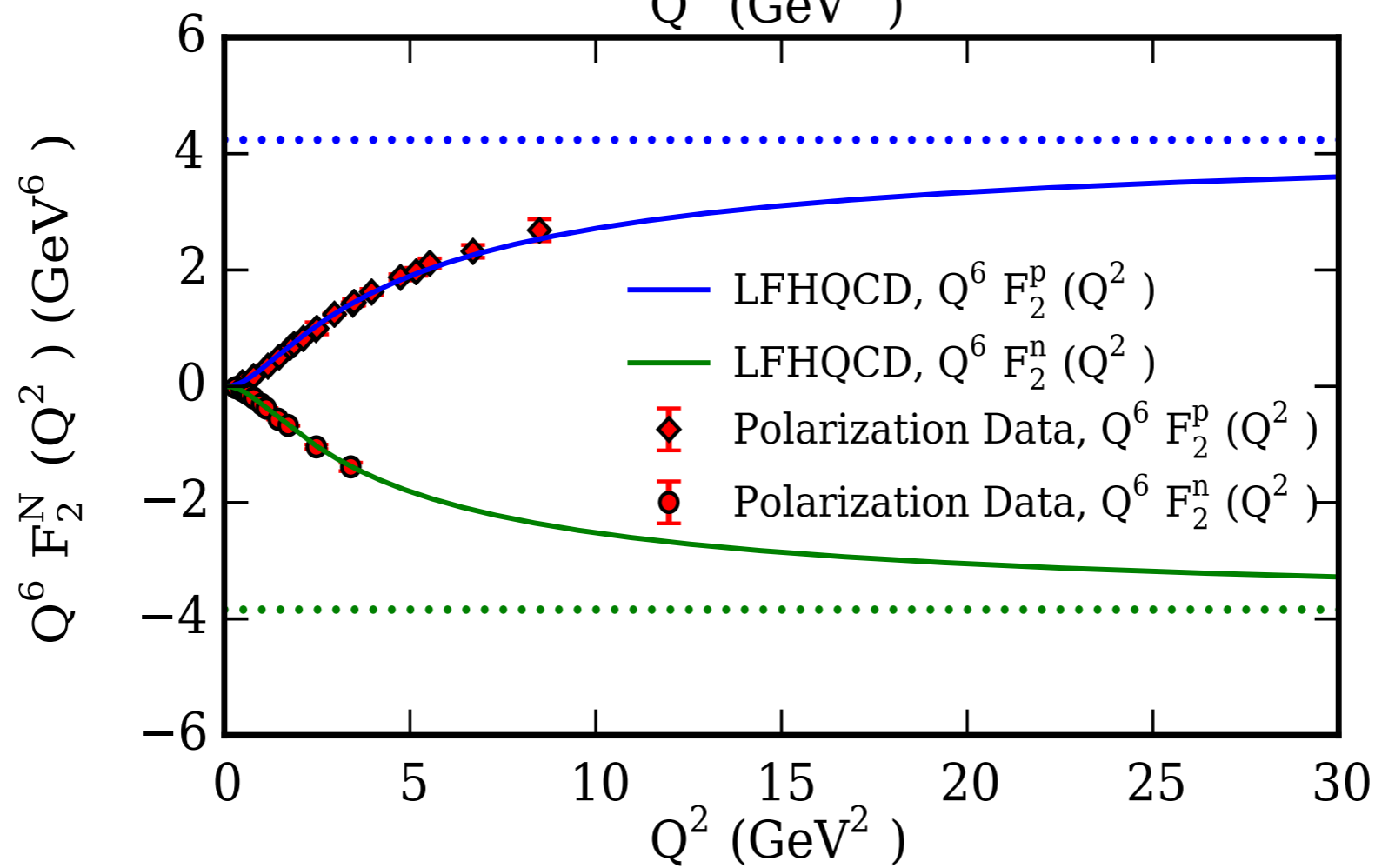
FIG. 14: Dirac neutron form factor multiplied by Q^4 .



$$Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2)$$

$$Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$$

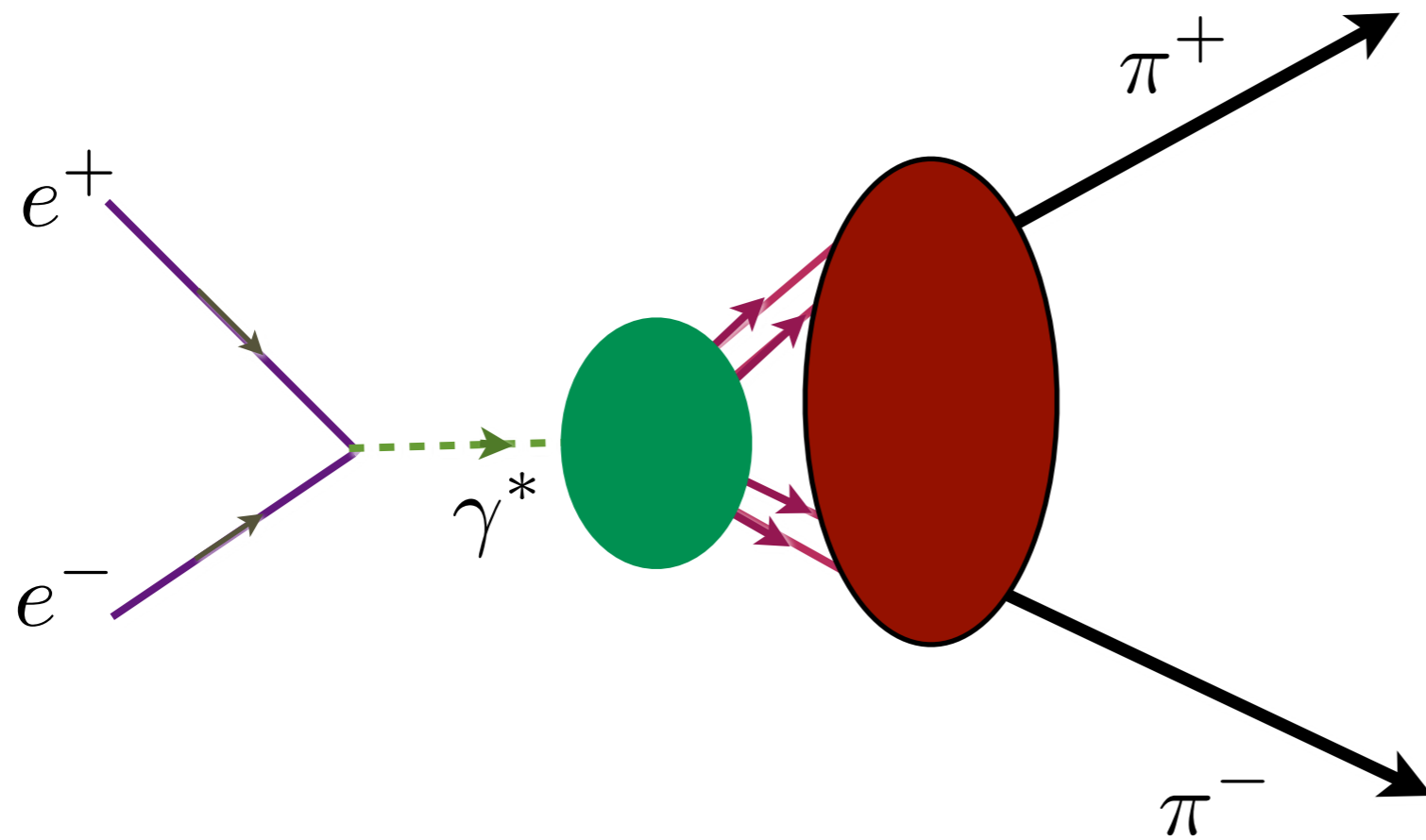
*Includes
5-quark
Fock states*



$$Q^6 F_2^p(Q^2)$$

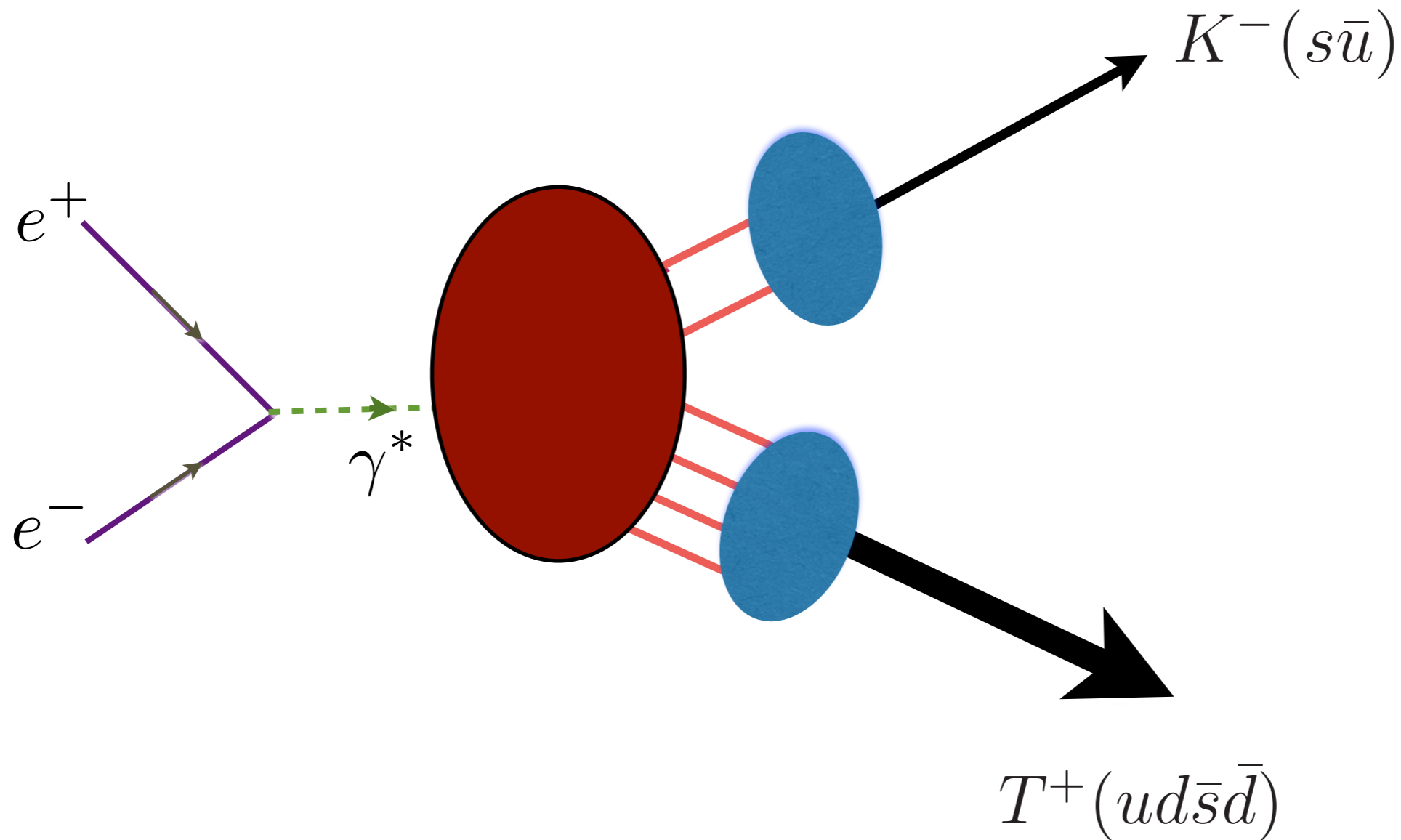
$$Q^6 F_2^n(Q^2)$$

Dressed soft-wall current brings in higher Fock states and more vector meson poles



Use Counting Rules to Verify Composition of Tetraquark

$$\mathcal{A}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{M}(q\bar{q}) + T([qq][\bar{q}\bar{q}]) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}^{(2+4-1-1)}} = \frac{1}{s^2}$$



Same fall-off as $\mathcal{A}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{B}(q[qq]) + B(q[\bar{q}\bar{q}]) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}^{(3+3-1-1)}} = \frac{1}{s^2}$

Current Matrix Elements in AdS Space (SW)

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z}$$

- Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - z (1 + 2\kappa^2 z^2) \partial_z - Q^2 z^2 \right] J_\kappa(Q, z) = 0.$$

- Solution bulk-to-boundary propagator

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) U\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}, 0, \kappa^2 z^2\right),$$

where $U(a, b, c)$ is the confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Gamma(a)U(a, b, z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{a-1} (1+t)^{b-a-1} dt.$$

- Form factor in presence of the dilaton background $\varphi = \kappa^2 z^2$

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} \Phi(z) J_\kappa(Q, z) \Phi(z).$$

- For large $Q^2 \gg 4\kappa^2$

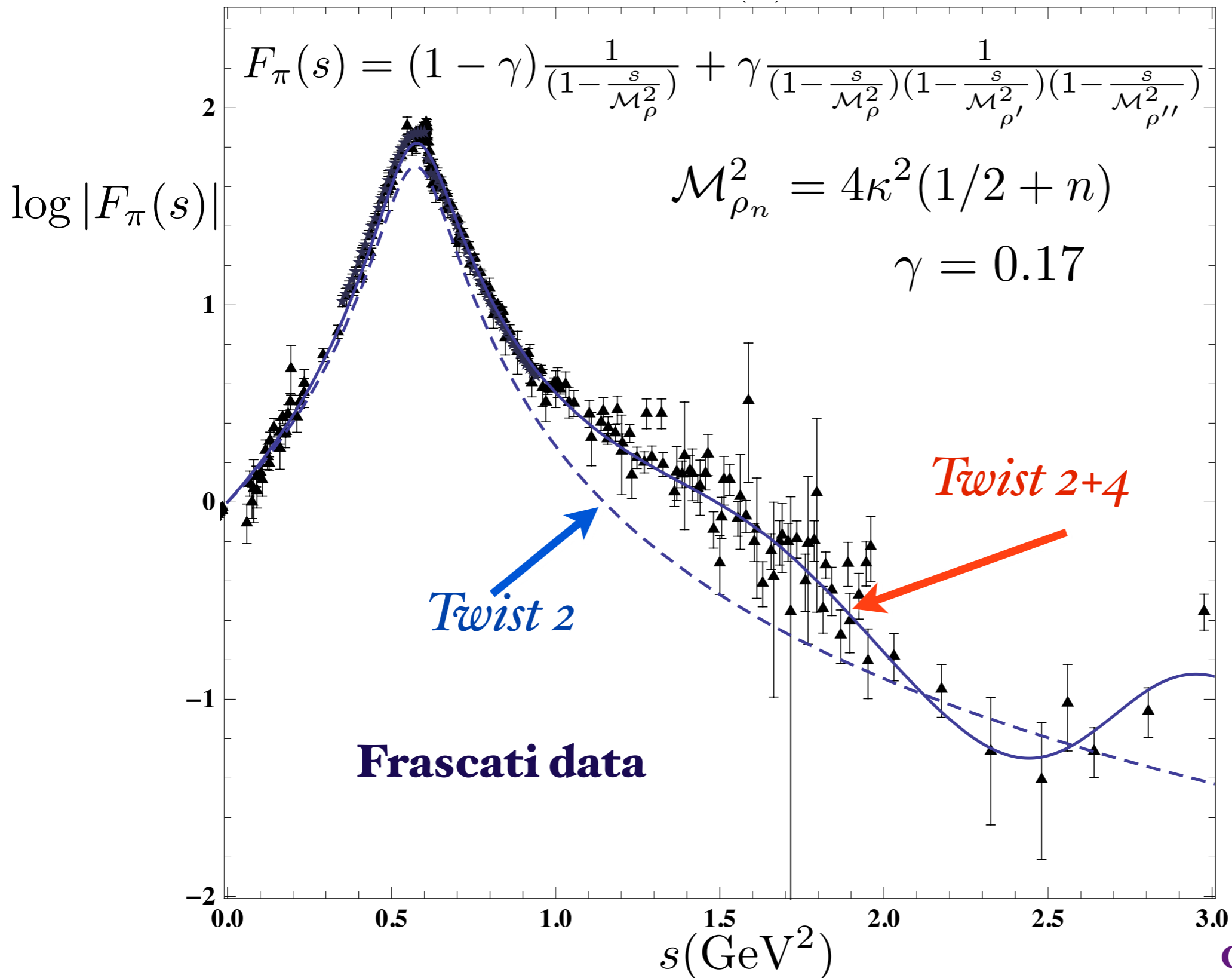
$$J_\kappa(Q, z) \rightarrow zQ K_1(zQ) = J(Q, z),$$

the external current decouples from the dilaton field.

*Dressed
Current
in Soft-Wall
Model*

**de Tèramond & sjb
Grigoryan and Radyushkin**

Timelike Pion Form Factor from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography

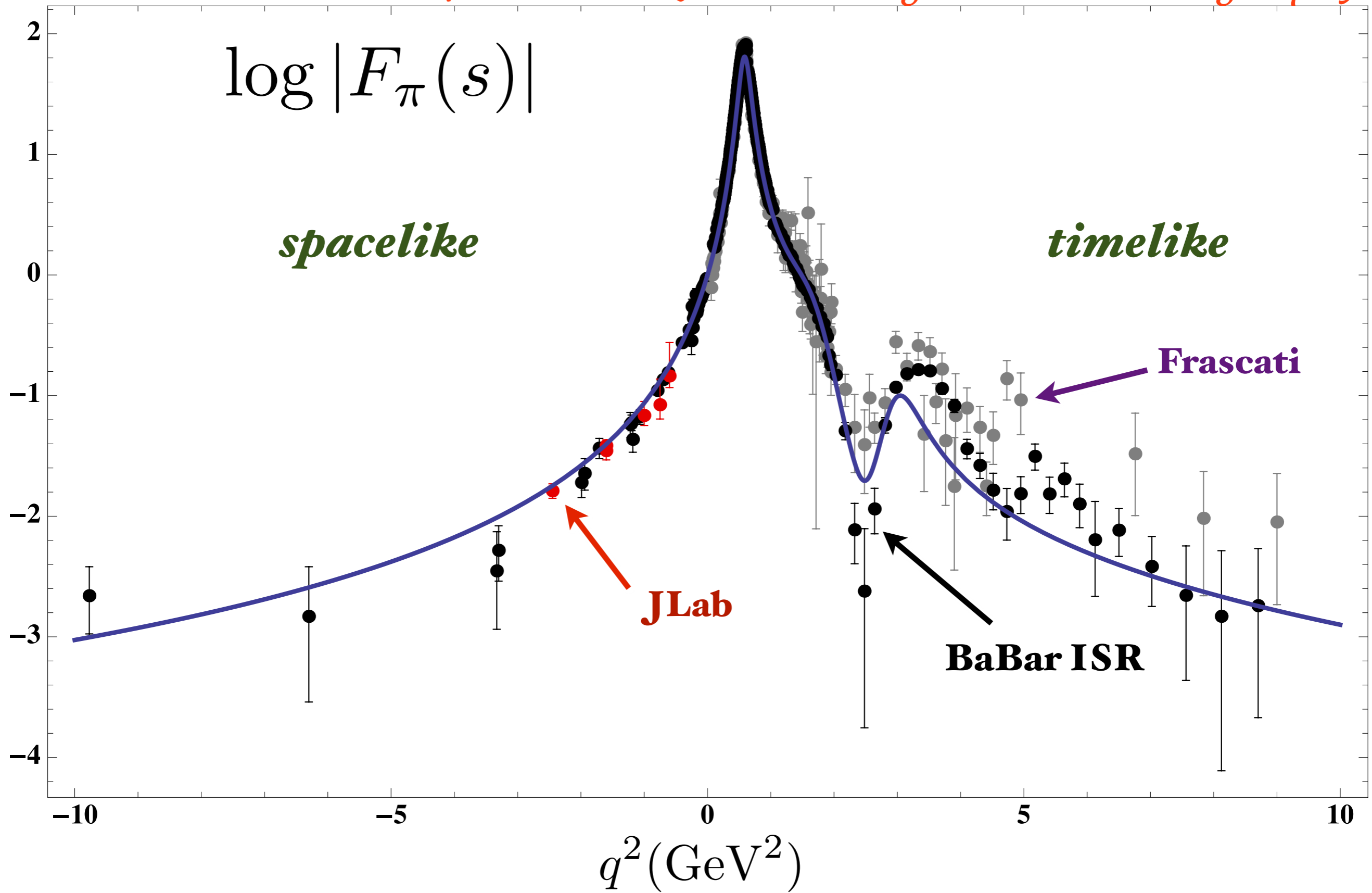


Prescription for Timelike poles :

$$\frac{1}{s - M^2 + i\sqrt{s}\Gamma}$$

14% four-quark probability

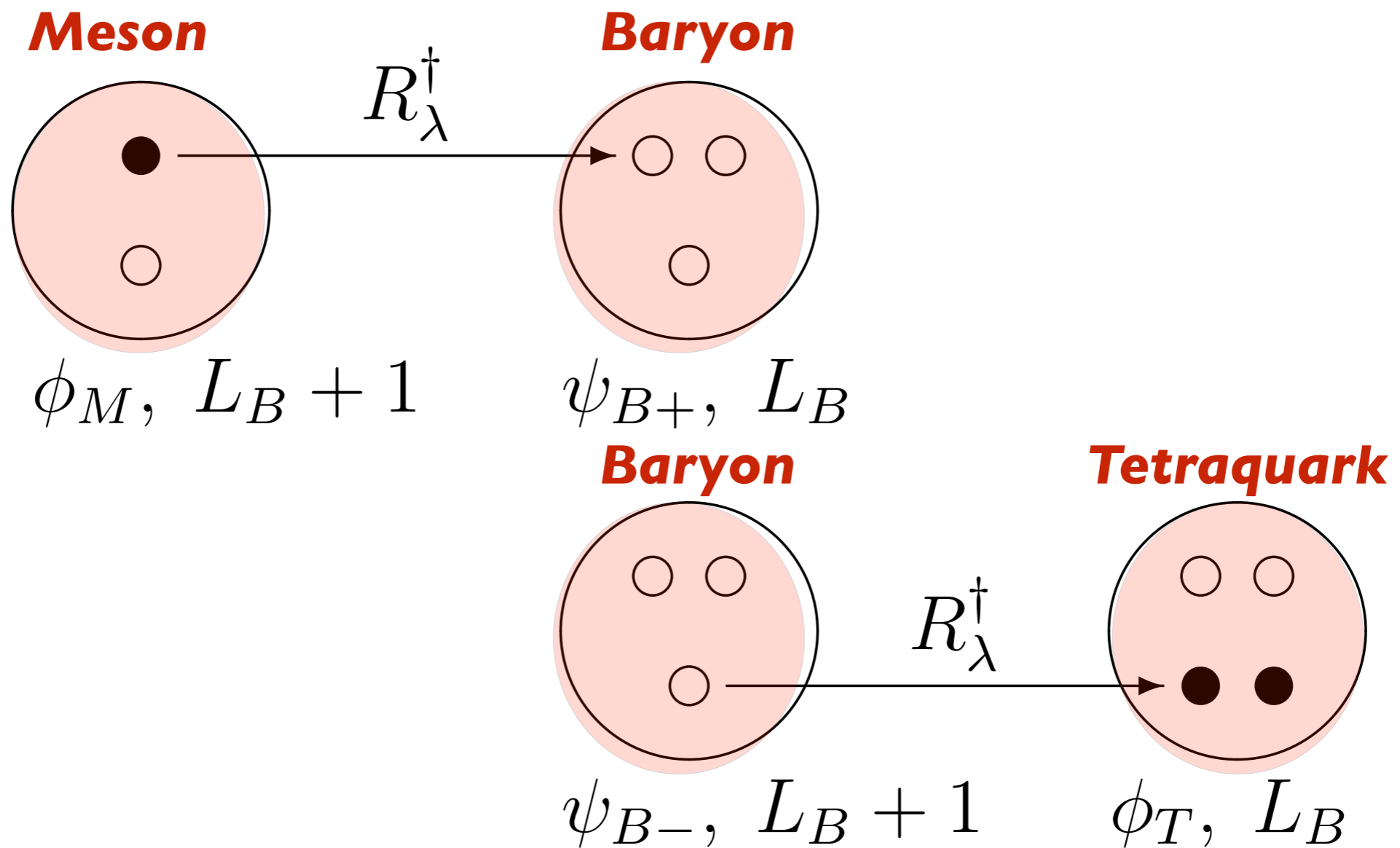
Pion Form Factor from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography



Superconformal Algebra

2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!



Proton: quark + scalar diquark $|q(qq)\rangle$
(Equal weight: $L = 0, L = 1$)

Superconformal Algebra

2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_M(L_M = L_B + 1) & \psi_{B-}(L_B + 1) \\ \psi_{B+}(L_B) & \phi_T(L_T = L_B) \end{pmatrix}$$

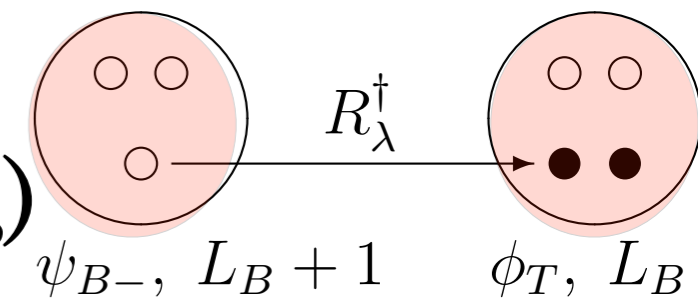
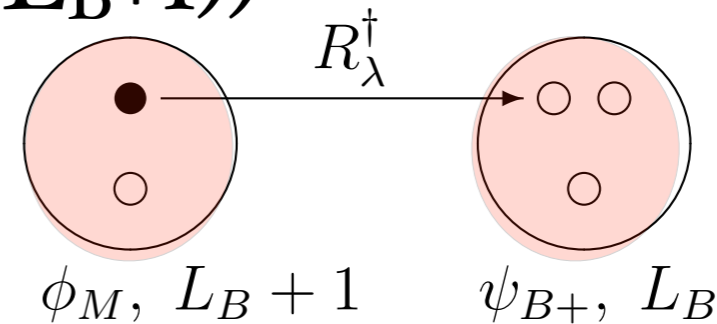
- quark-antiquark meson ($L_M = L_B + 1$)

- quark-diquark baryon (L_B)

- quark-diquark baryon ($L_B + 1$)

- diquark-antidiquark tetraquark ($L_T = L_B$)

- Universal Regge slopes $\lambda = \kappa^2$



$$M_H^2/\lambda = \underbrace{(2n + L_H + 1)}_{\text{kinetic}} + \underbrace{(2n + L_H + 1)}_{\text{potential}} + \underbrace{2(L_H + s) + 2\chi}_{\text{contribution from AdS and superconformal algebra}} + \left\langle \sum_i \frac{m_i^2}{x_i} \right\rangle$$

$$\chi(\text{mesons}) = -1$$

$$\chi(\text{baryons, tetraquarks}) = +1$$

Features of Supersymmetric Equations

- $J = L + S$ baryon simultaneously satisfies both equations of G with L , $L + 1$ with same mass eigenvalue

- $J^z = L^z + 1/2 = (L^z + 1) - 1/2 \quad S^z = \pm 1/2$

- Proton spin carried by quark L^z

$$\langle J^z \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (S_q^z = \frac{1}{2}, L^z = 0) + \frac{1}{2} (S_q^z = -\frac{1}{2}, L^z = 1) = \langle L^z \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$$

- Mass-degenerate meson “superpartner” with $L_M = L_B + 1$. *“Shifted meson-baryon Duality”*

Mesons and baryons have same κ !

- Spin-dependent interaction from embedding in AdS space

[S. J. Brodsky, GdT, H. G. Dosch, C. Lorcé, PLB 759, 171 (2016)]

$$G = \{R_\lambda^\dagger, R_\lambda\} + 2\lambda S \quad S = 0, 1$$

where S is the spin of the meson or the spectator cluster in the baryon

- Light hadron spectrum (Add quadratic mass correction Δm_q^2 from light quark masses)

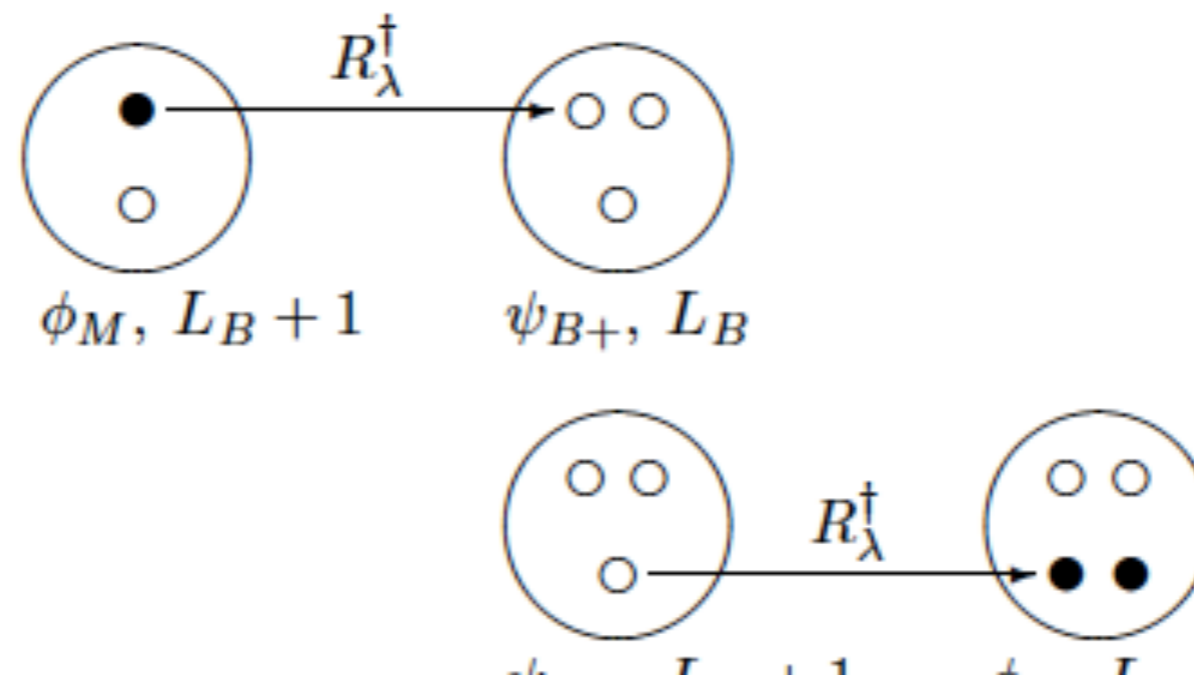
$$\text{Mesons : } M^2 = 4\lambda (n + L_M) + 2\lambda$$

$$\text{Baryons : } M^2 = 4\lambda (n + L_B + 1) + 2\lambda S$$

$$\text{Tetraquarks : } M^2 = 4\lambda (n + L_T + 1) + 2\lambda S$$

- Supersymmetric quadruplet

$\{\phi_M, \psi_{B+}, \psi_{B-}, \phi_T\}$



New World of Tetraquarks

$$3_C \times 3_C = \bar{3}_C + 6_C$$

Bound!

- Diquark: Color-Confined Constituents: Color $\bar{3}_C$
- Diquark-Antidiquark bound states $\bar{3}_C \times 3_C = 1_C$

$$\sigma(TN) \simeq 2\sigma(pN) - \sigma(\pi N)$$

$$2[\sigma(\{qq\}N) + \sigma(qN)] - [\sigma(qN) + \sigma(\bar{q}N)] = [\sigma(\{qq\}N) + \sigma(\{qq\}N)]$$

Candidates $f_0(980)I = 0, J^P = 0^+$, partner of proton

$a_1(1260)I = 0, J^P = 1^+$, partner of $\Delta(1233)$

Universal Hadronic Features

- **Universal quark light-front kinetic energy**

$$\Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$

Equal:
Virial
Theorem!

- **Universal quark light-front potential energy**

$$\Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$

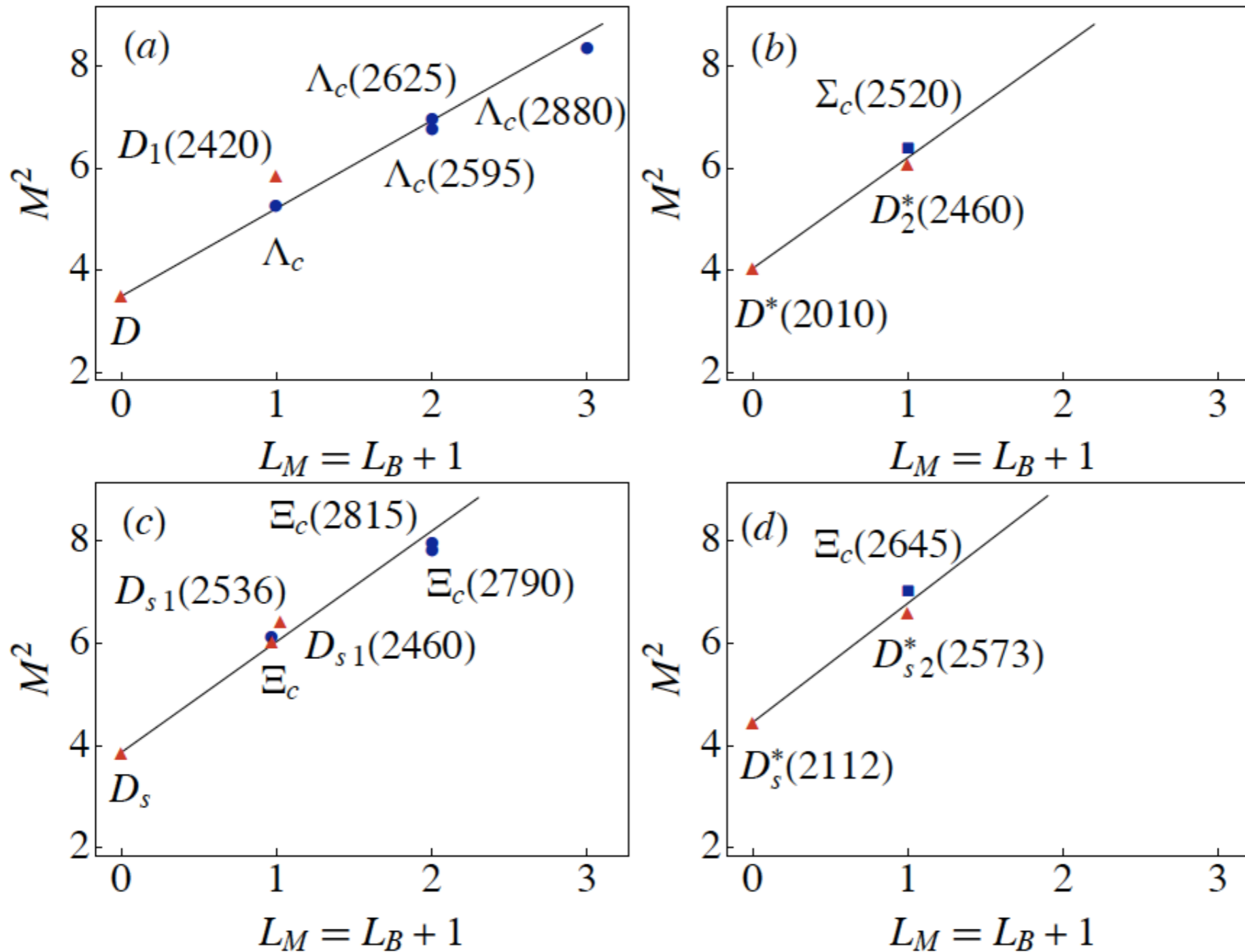
- **Universal Constant Term**

$$\mathcal{M}_{spin}^2 = 2\kappa^2(S + L - 1 + 2n_{diquark})$$

$$M^2 = \Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 + \Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 + \Delta\mathcal{M}_{spin}^2$$

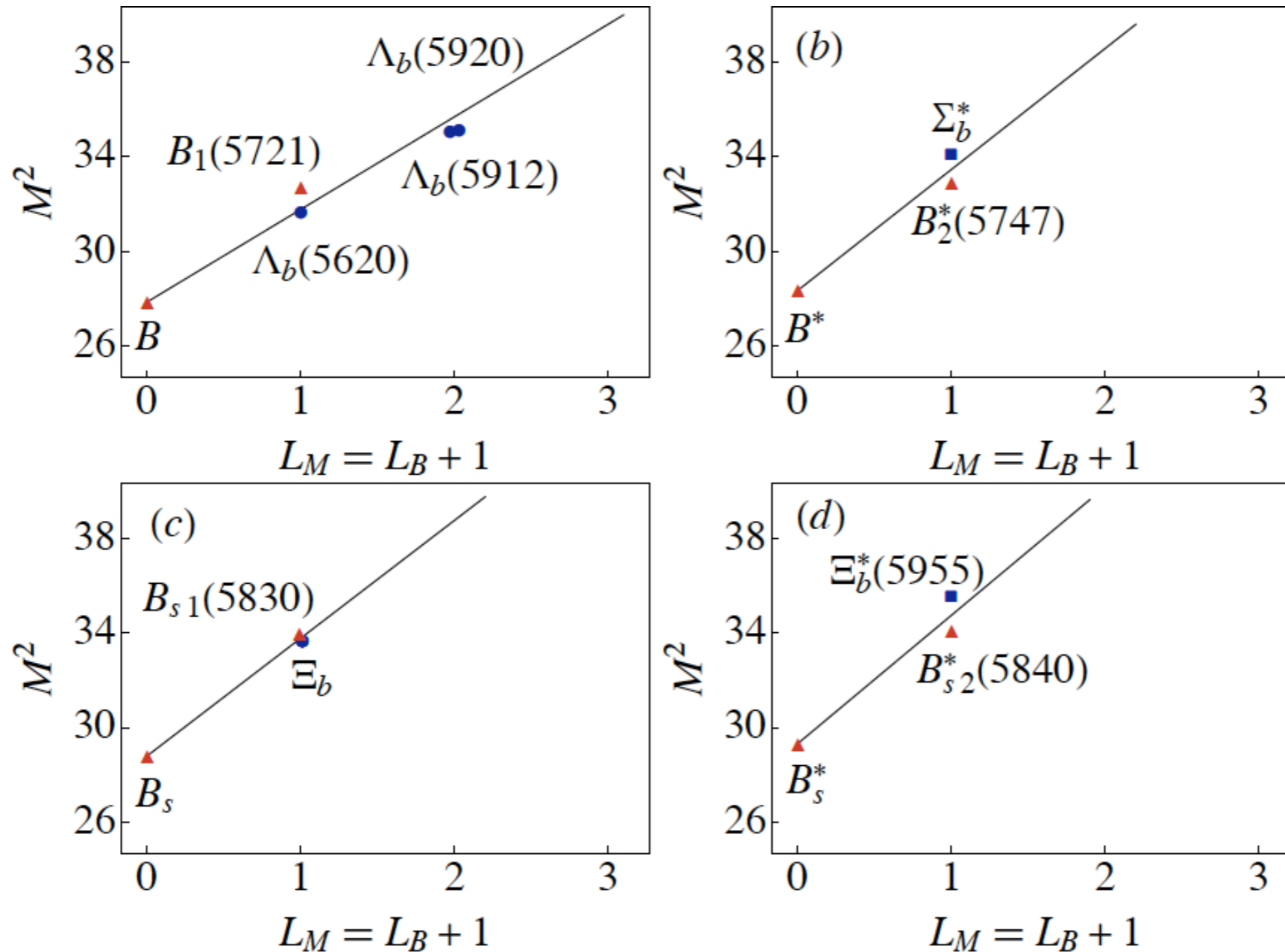
$$+ \left\langle \sum_i \frac{m_i^2}{x_i} \right\rangle$$

Supersymmetry across the light and heavy-light spectrum



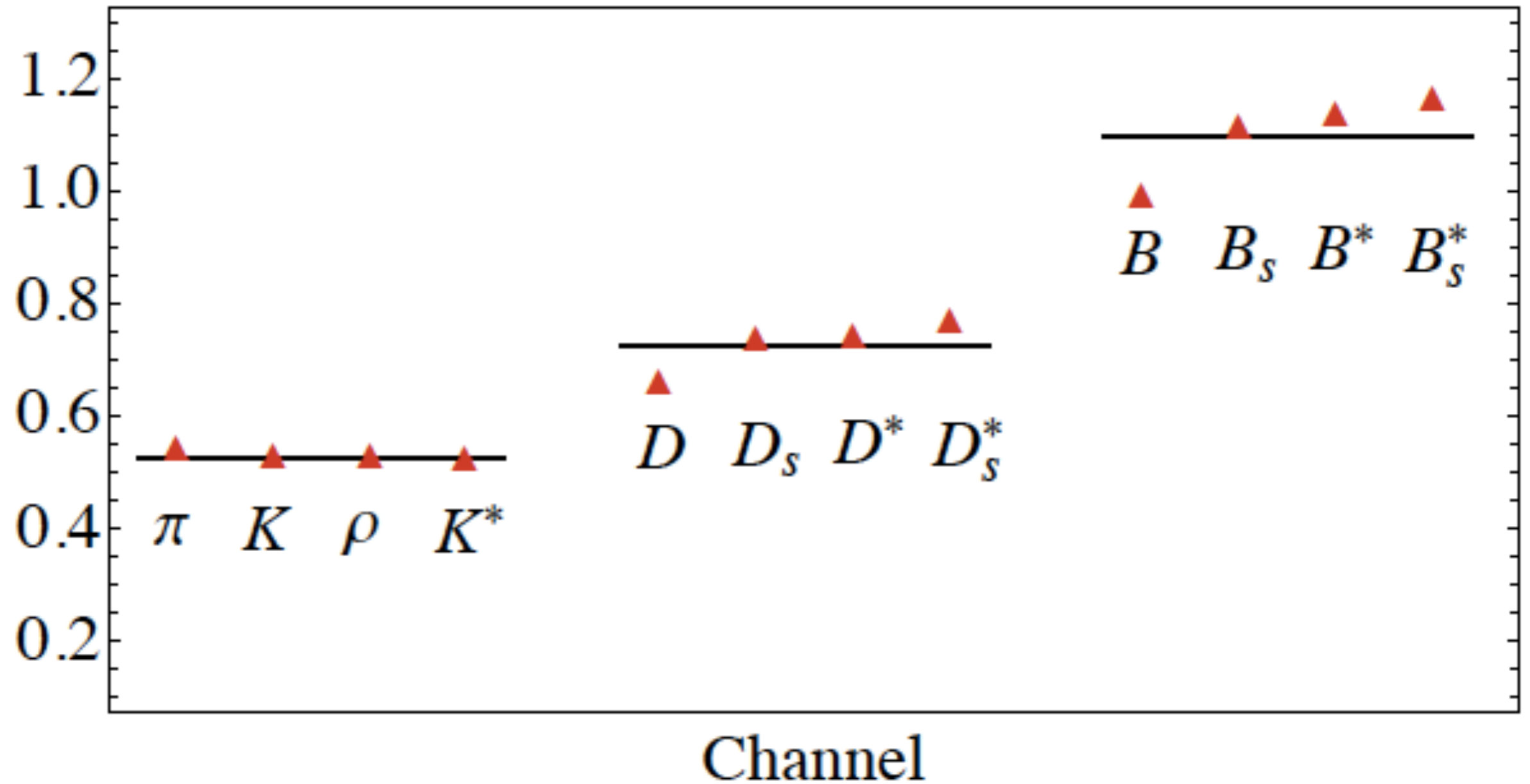
Heavy charm quark mass does not break supersymmetry

Supersymmetry across the light and heavy-light spectrum



Heavy bottom quark mass does not break supersymmetry

$\kappa_R(\text{GeV})$



**Regge slope for heavy-light mesons, baryons:
increases with heavy quark mass**

Connection to the Linear Instant-Form Potential

Linear instant nonrelativistic form $V(r) = Cr$ for heavy quarks



Harmonic Oscillator $U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$ LF Potential for relativistic light quarks

A.P. Trawinski, S.D. Glazek, H. D. Dosch, G. de Teramond, sjb

Foundations of Light-Front Holography

- **The QCD Lagrangian for $m_q = 0$ has no mass scale.**
- **What determines the hadron mass scale?**
- **DAFF principle: add terms linear in D and K to Conformal Hamiltonian: Mass scale κ appears, but action remains scale invariant \rightarrow unique harmonic oscillator potential**
- **Apply DAFF to the Poincare' invariant LF Hamiltonian: Unique color-confining potential**
- **Fixes AdS_5 dilaton: predicts Spin and Spin-Orbit Interactions**
- **Apply DAFF to Superconformal representation of the Lorentz group**
- **Predicts Meson, Baryon, Tetraquark spectroscopy, dynamics**
- **Supersymmetric Features of Spectrum**

Running Coupling from Modified AdS/QCD

Deur, de Teramond, sjb

- Consider five-dim gauge fields propagating in AdS₅ space in dilaton background $\varphi(z) = \kappa^2 z^2$

$$S = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{1}{g_5^2} G^2$$

- Flow equation

$$\frac{1}{g_5^2(z)} = e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{1}{g_5^2(0)} \quad \text{or} \quad g_5^2(z) = e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} g_5^2(0)$$

where the coupling $g_5(z)$ incorporates the non-conformal dynamics of confinement

- YM coupling $\alpha_s(\zeta) = g_{YM}^2(\zeta)/4\pi$ is the five dim coupling up to a factor: $g_5(z) \rightarrow g_{YM}(\zeta)$

- Coupling measured at momentum scale Q

$$\alpha_s^{AdS}(Q) \sim \int_0^\infty \zeta d\zeta J_0(\zeta Q) \alpha_s^{AdS}(\zeta)$$

- Solution

$$\alpha_s^{AdS}(Q^2) = \alpha_s^{AdS}(0) e^{-Q^2/4\kappa^2} \quad \text{from dilaton } e^{\kappa^2 z^2}$$

where the coupling α_s^{AdS} incorporates the non-conformal dynamics of confinement

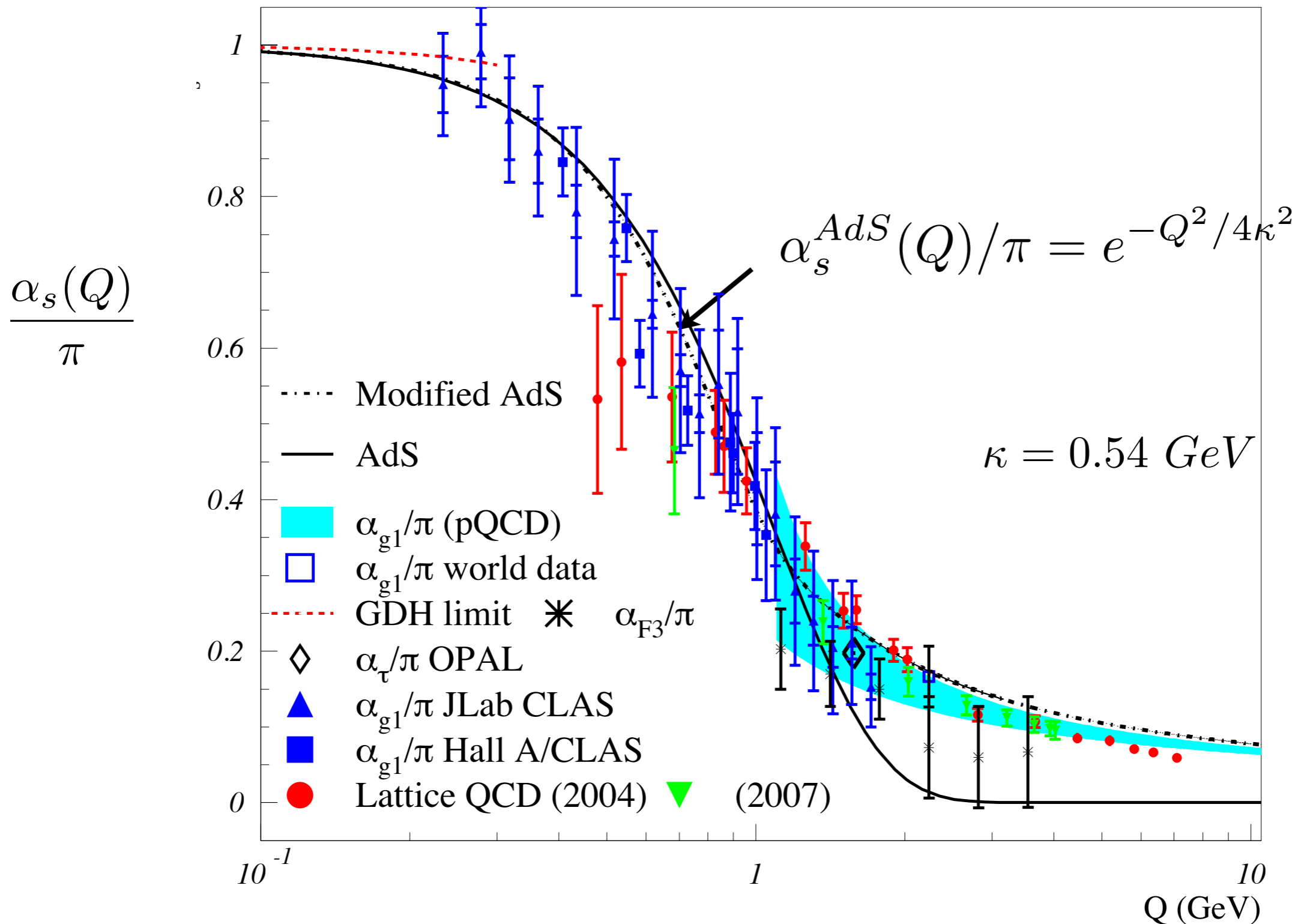
Bjorken sum rule defines effective charge

$$\alpha_{g1}(Q^2)$$

$$\int_0^1 dx [g_1^{ep}(x, Q^2) - g_1^{en}(x, Q^2)] \equiv \frac{g_a}{6} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_{g1}(Q^2)}{\pi} \right]$$

- **Can be used as standard QCD coupling**
- **Well measured**
- **Asymptotic freedom at large Q^2**
- **Computable at large Q^2 in any pQCD scheme**
- **Universal β_0, β_1**

Analytic, defined at all scales, IR Fixed Point



AdS/QCD dilaton captures the higher twist corrections to effective charges for $Q < 1 \text{ GeV}$

$$e^{\varphi} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

Deur, de Teramond, sjb

$$m_\rho = \sqrt{2}\kappa$$

$$m_p = 2\kappa$$

All-Scale QCD Coupling

Fit to Bj + DHG Sum Rules:
 $\kappa = 0.513 \pm 0.007 \text{ GeV}$

World Data:

$$\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.332 \pm 0.017 \text{ GeV}$$

Prediction

$$\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.339 \pm 0.019 \text{ GeV}$$

\overline{MS} scheme

$$\frac{\alpha_{g_1}^s(Q^2)}{\pi}$$

$$e^{-\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}}$$

Use Q_0 for starting DGLAP and ERBL Evolution

Nonperturbative QCD (Quark Confinement)

Perturbative QCD (Asymptotic Freedom)

Transition scale Q_0

$$Q_0 = 0.87 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV}$$

10^{-1}

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Q (GeV)

$$\lambda \equiv \kappa^2$$

Features of LF Holographic QCD

- **Regge spectroscopy—same slope in n, L for mesons, baryons**
- **Chiral features for $m_q=0$: $m_\pi=0$, chiral-invariant proton!**
- **Hadronic LFWFs**
- **Counting Rules**
- **Connection between hadron masses and $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$**

Superconformal AdS Light-Front Holographic QCD (LFHQCD)

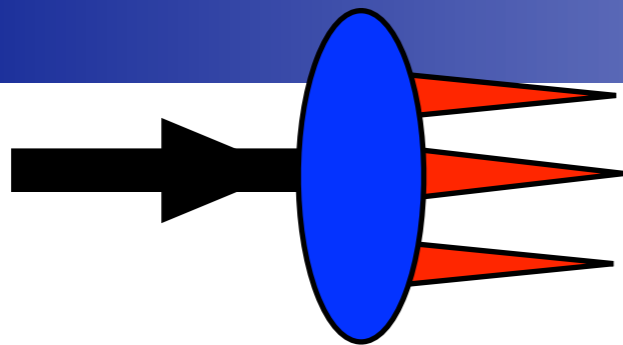
Meson-Baryon Mass Degeneracy for $L_M=L_B+1$

Fundamental Hadronic Features of Hadrons

- Partition of the Proton's Mass: Potential vs. Kinetic Contributions **Virial Theorem**
- Color Confinement $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$

$$\Delta \mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 = \kappa^2 (1 + 2n + L)$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 = \kappa^2 (1 + 2n + L)$$
- Role of Quark Orbital Angular Momentum in the Proton **Equal L=0,1**
- Quark-Diquark Structure
- Quark Mass Contribution $\Delta M^2 = \langle \frac{m_q^2}{x} \rangle$ *from the Yukawa coupling to the Higgs zero mode*
- Baryonic Regge Trajectory $M_p^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2 (n + L_B + 1)$
- Mesonic Supersymmetric Partners $L_M = L_B + 1$
- Proton Light-Front Wavefunctions and Dynamical Observables $\psi_M(x, k_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$
- Form Factors, Distribution Amplitudes, Structure Functions
- Non-Perturbative - Perturbative OCD Transition $Q_0 = 0.87 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV } \overline{MS} \text{ scheme}$
- Dimensional Transmutation: $m_p \simeq 3.21 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$ $m_\rho \simeq 2.2 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$



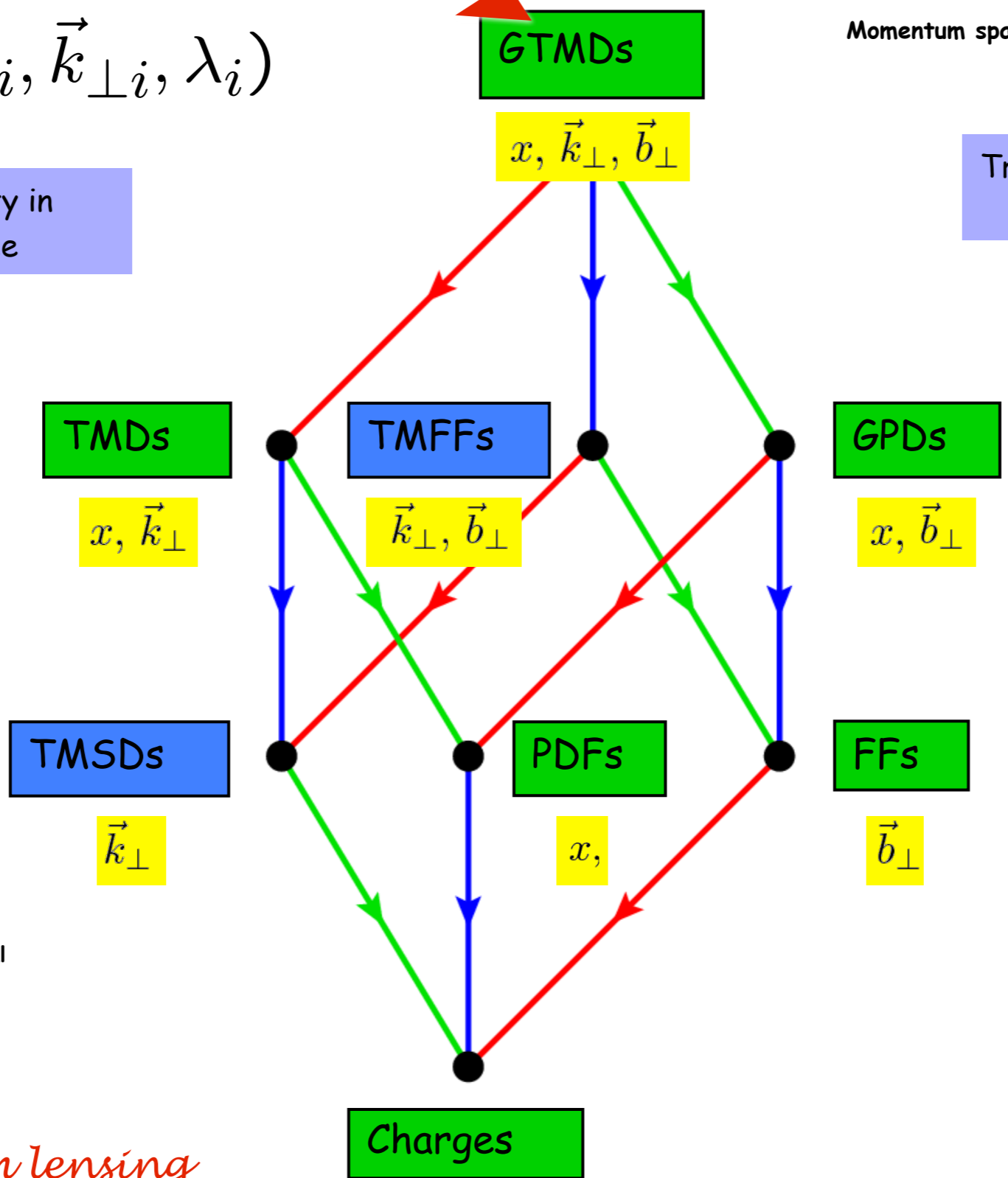
• *Light Front Wavefunctions:*

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

Momentum space $\vec{k}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{z}_{\perp}$ Position space
 $\vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{b}_{\perp}$

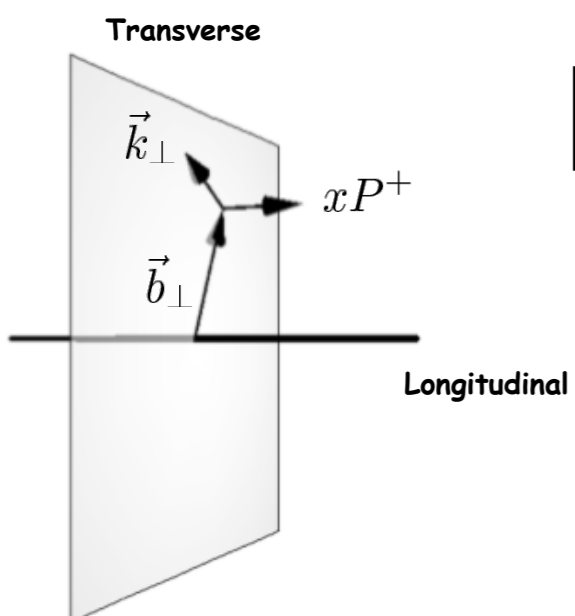
Transverse density in momentum space

Transverse density in position space

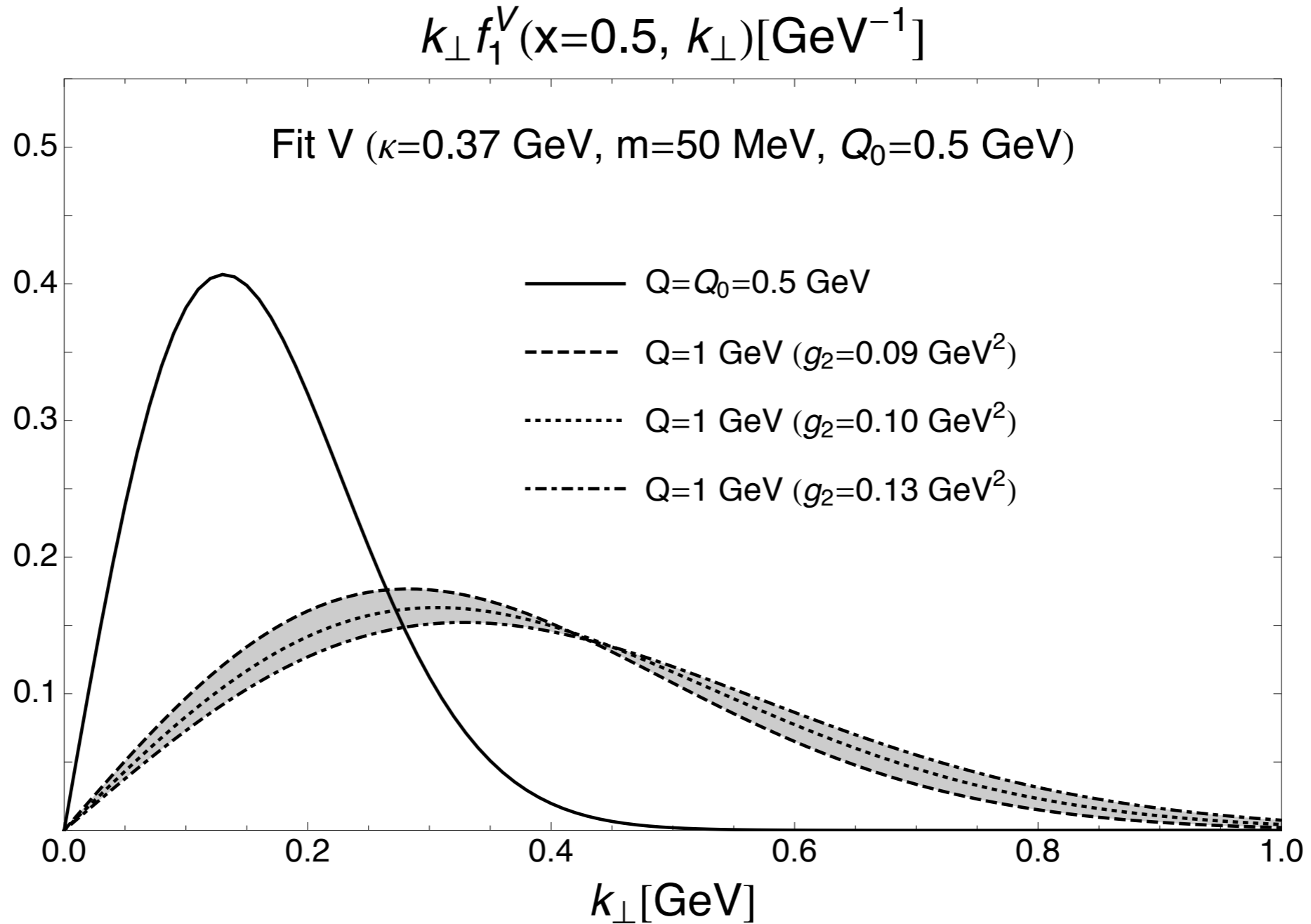


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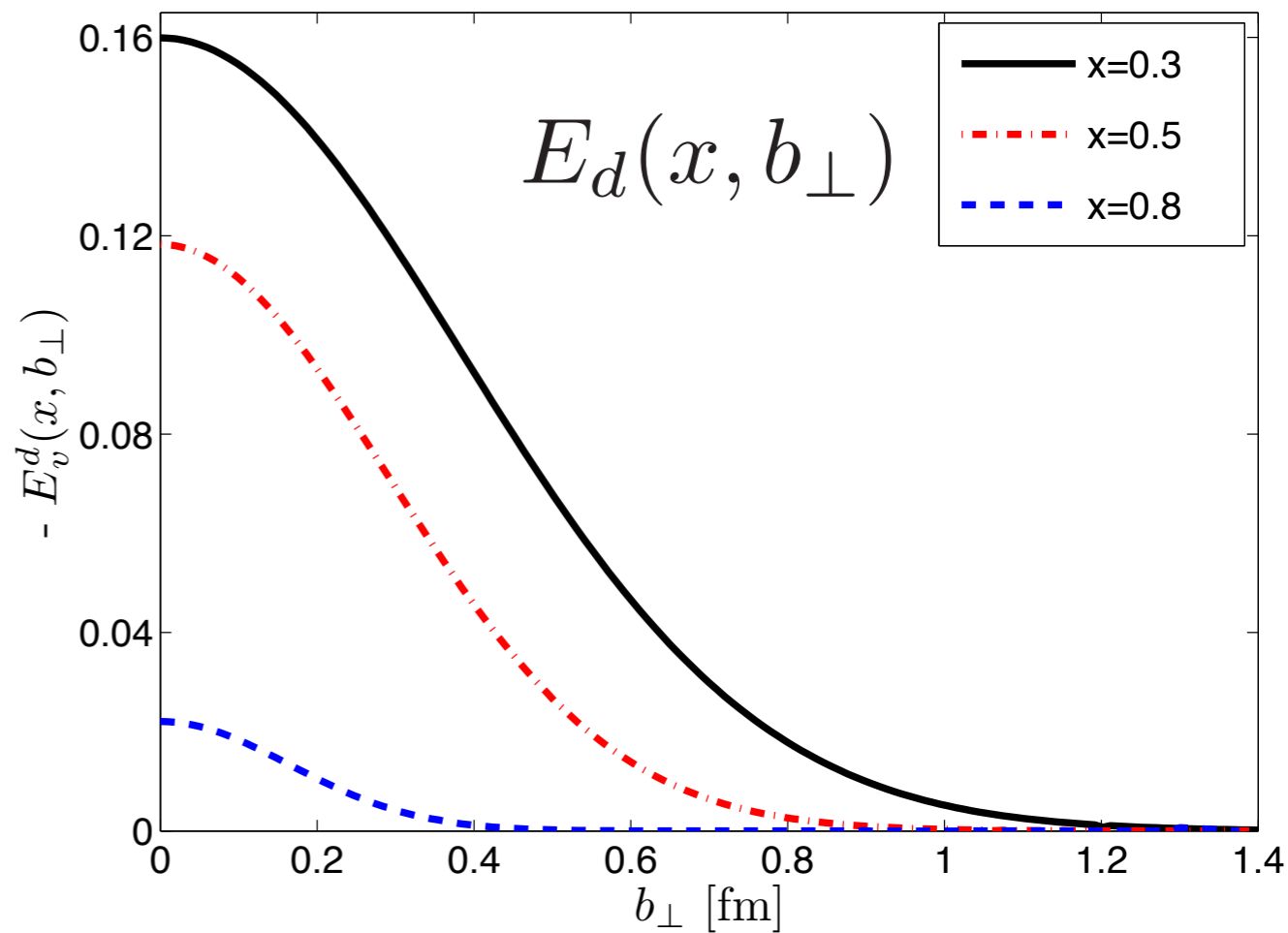
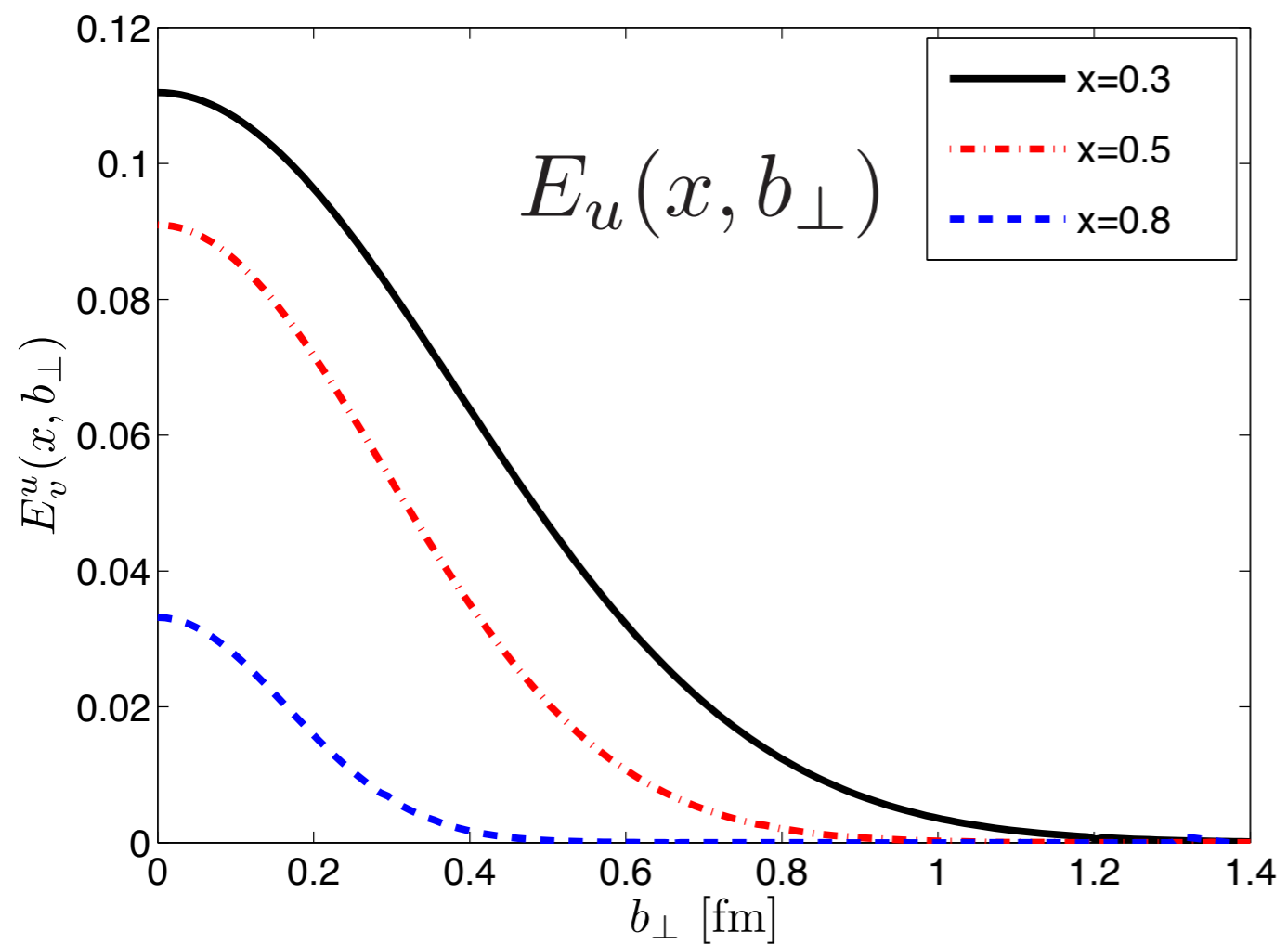
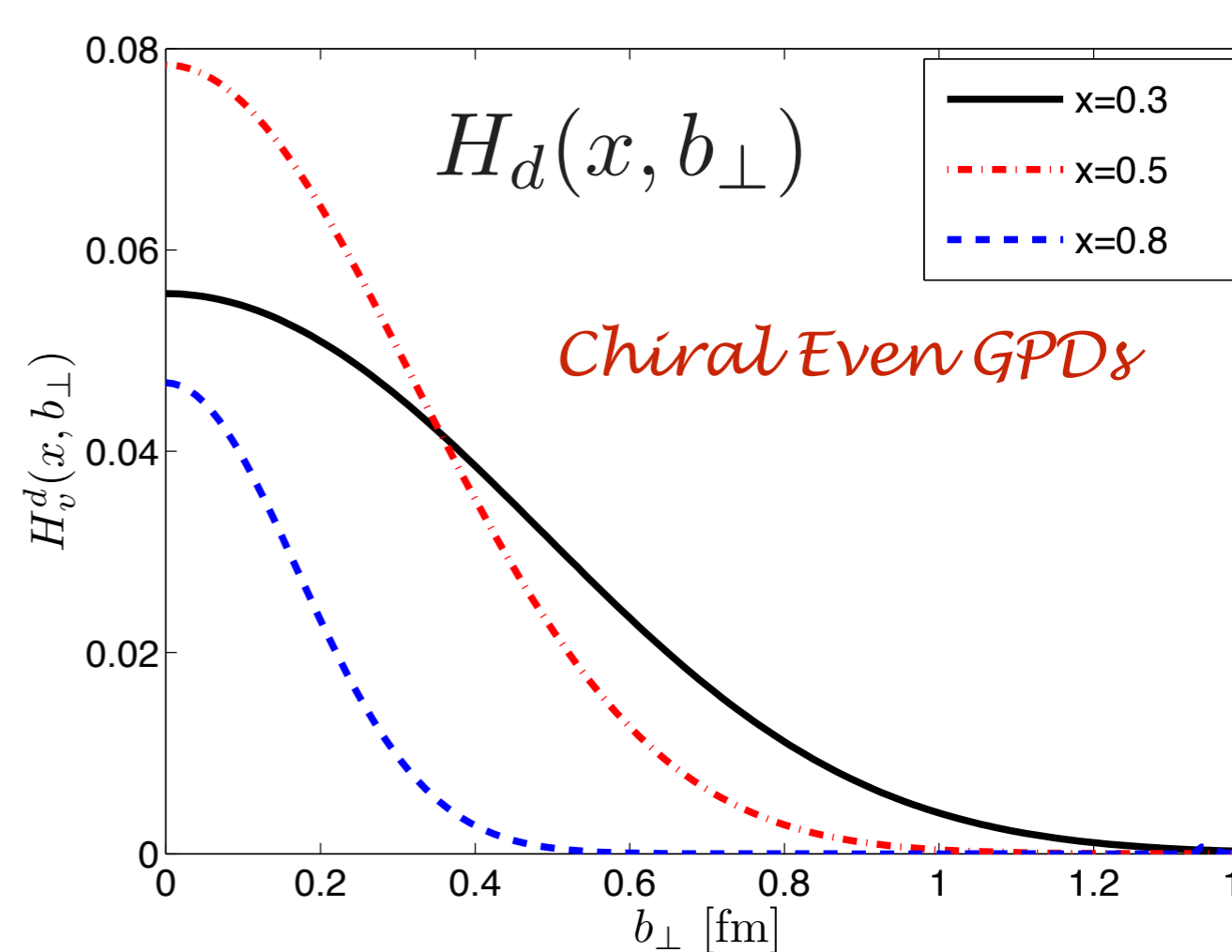
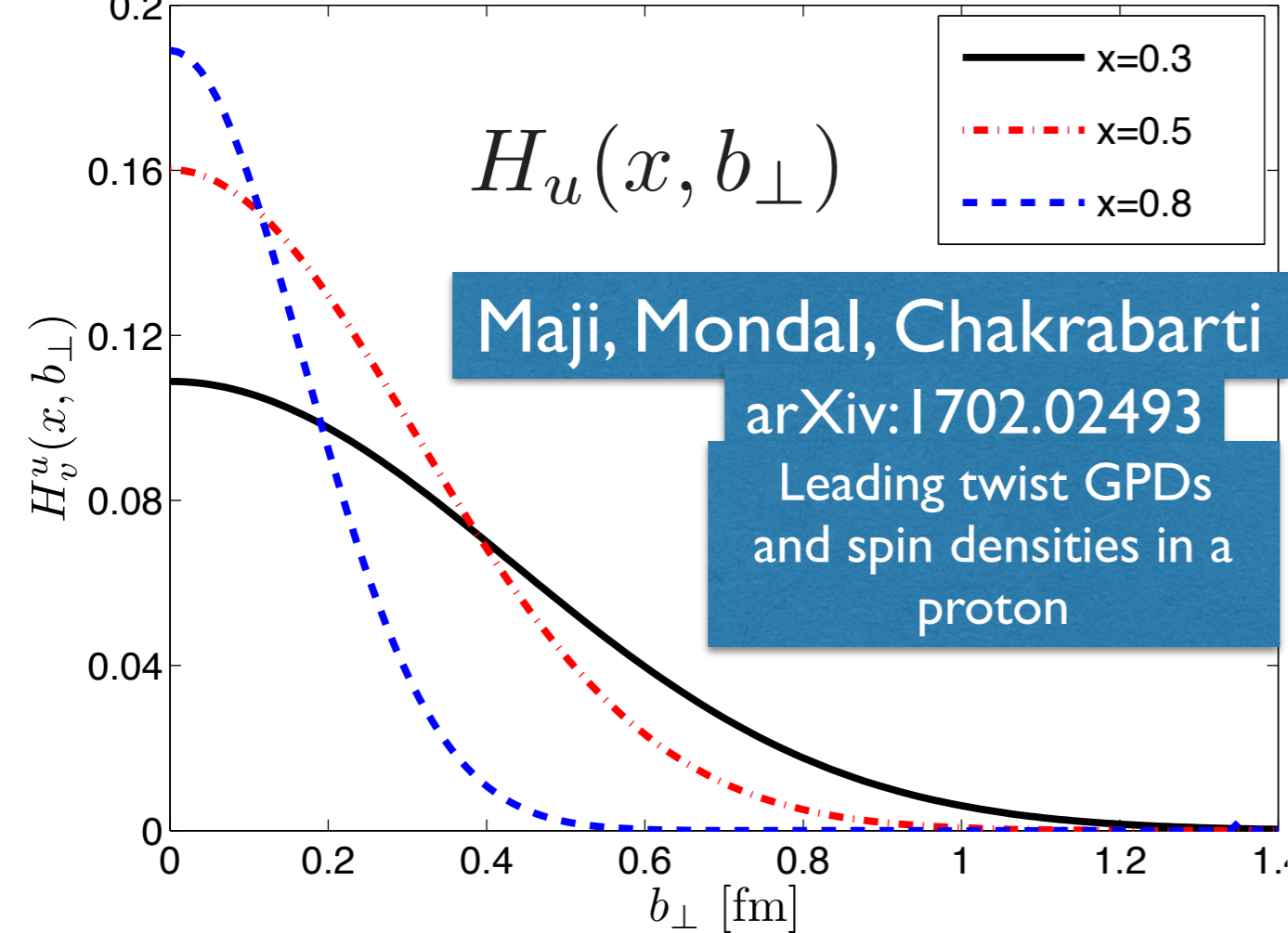
→ $\int d^2 b_{\perp}$
 → $\int dx$
 → $\int d^2 k_{\perp}$

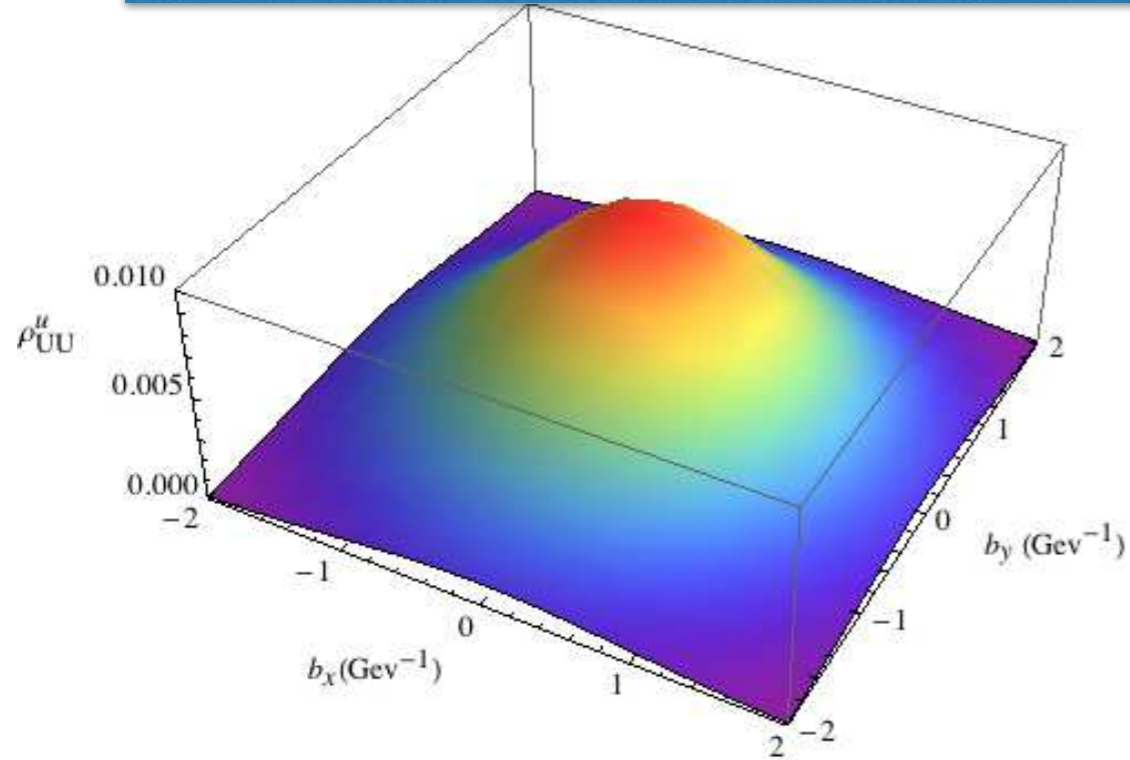


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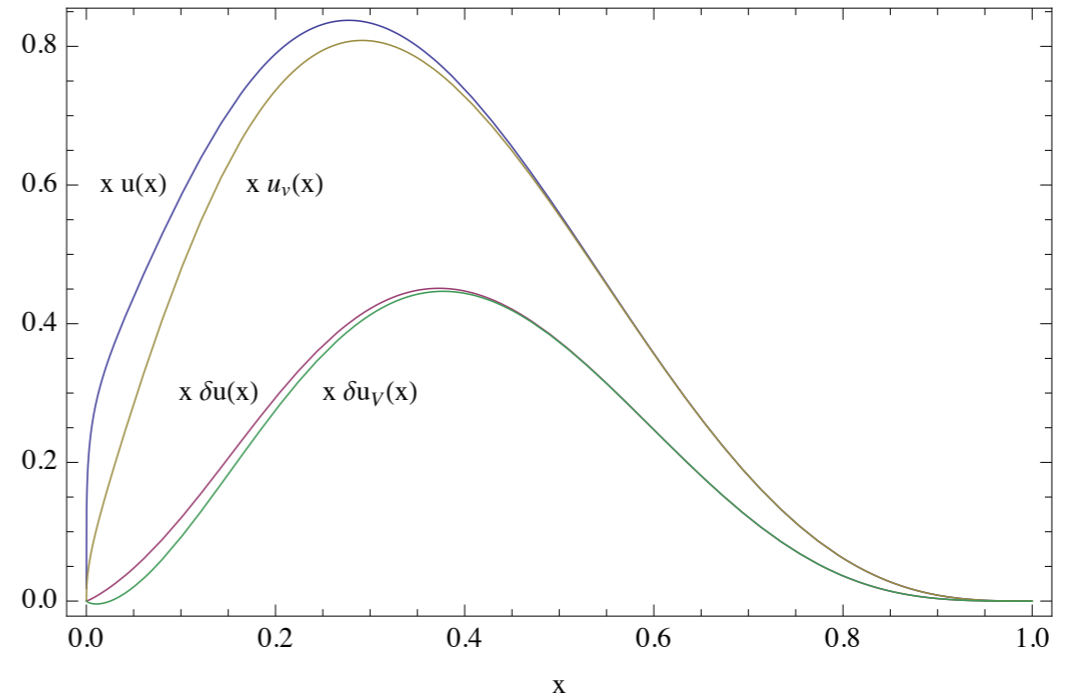


Results for the quark TMD of the pion, multiplied by k_{\perp} , from the pure-valence LFWF for the $m = 50$ MeV scenario, as function of k_{\perp} and at fixed $x = 0.5$. The solid curve shows the result at the scale of the model, $Q_0 = 0.5$ GeV, corresponding with the initial scale for the TMD evolution. The shaded band gives the spread of the results after evolution of the TMD to 1 GeV

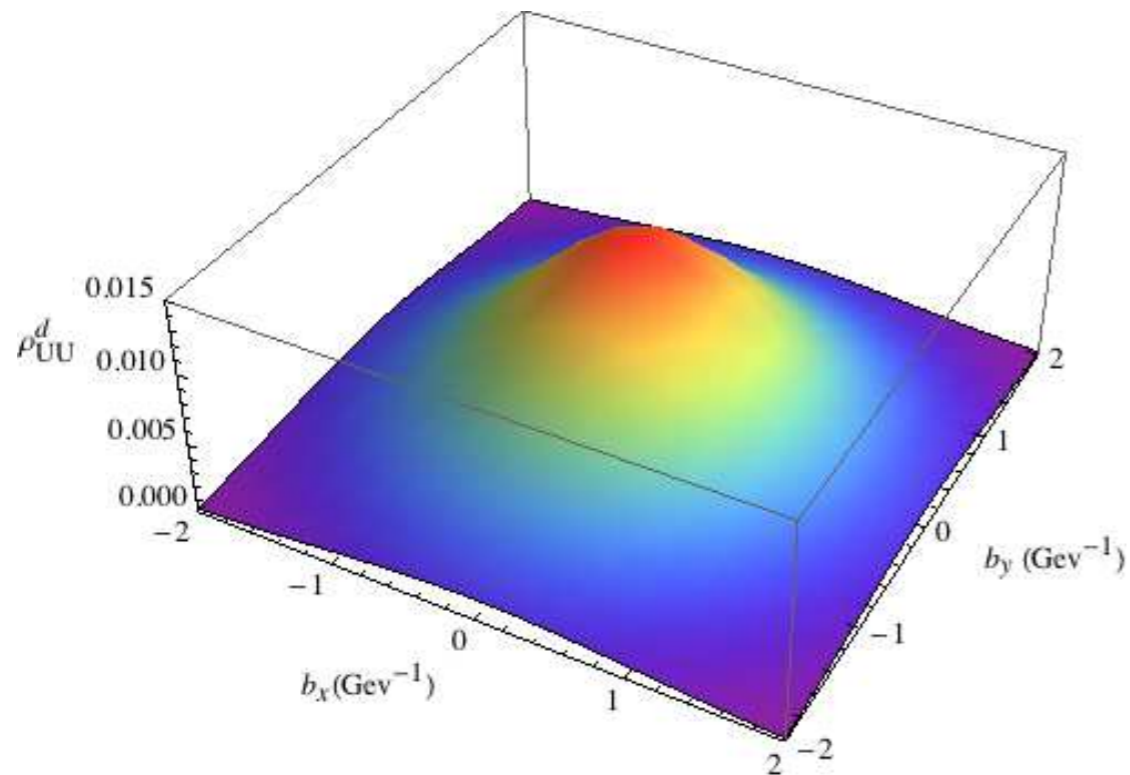




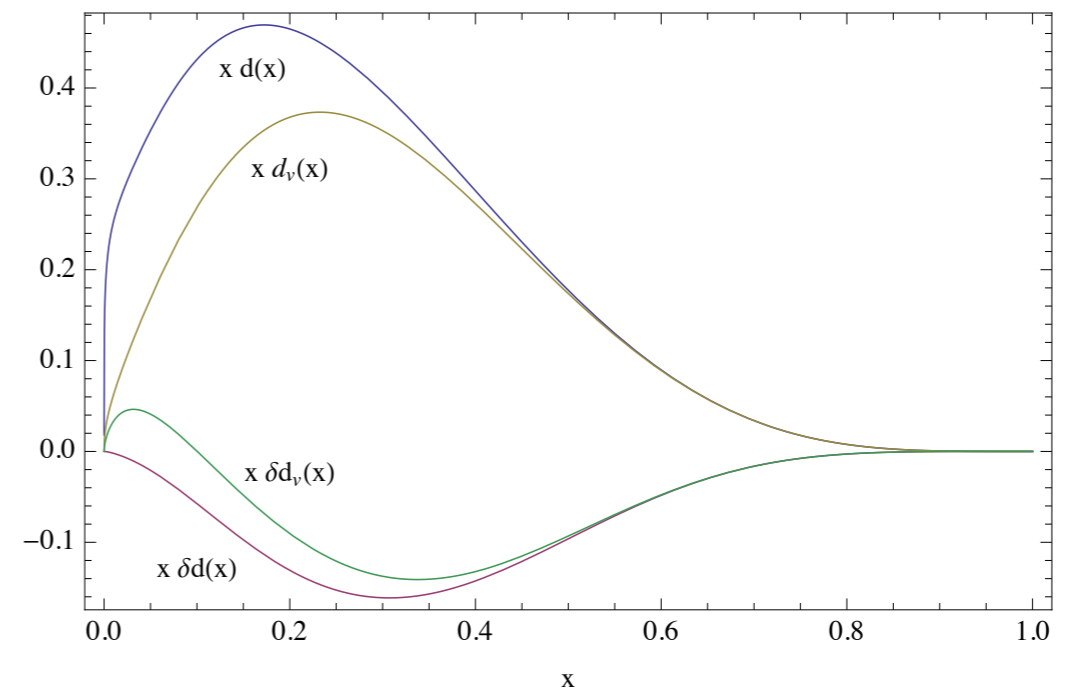
Wigner distribution $\rho_{UU}^u(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$ at $x = 0.5$, $k_x = k_y = 0.5$ GeV.



u quark PDFs multiplied with x .



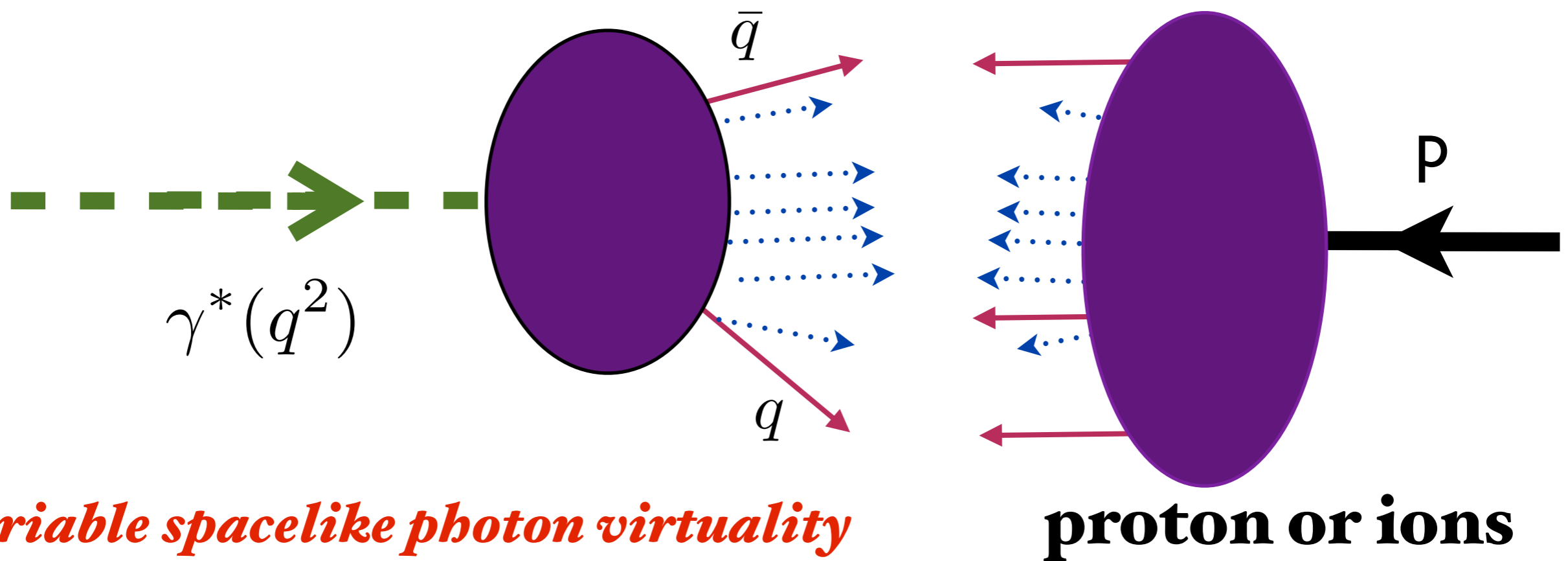
Wigner distribution $\rho_{UU}^d(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$ at $x = 0.5$, $k_x = k_y = 0.5$ GeV.



d quark PDFs multiplied with x .

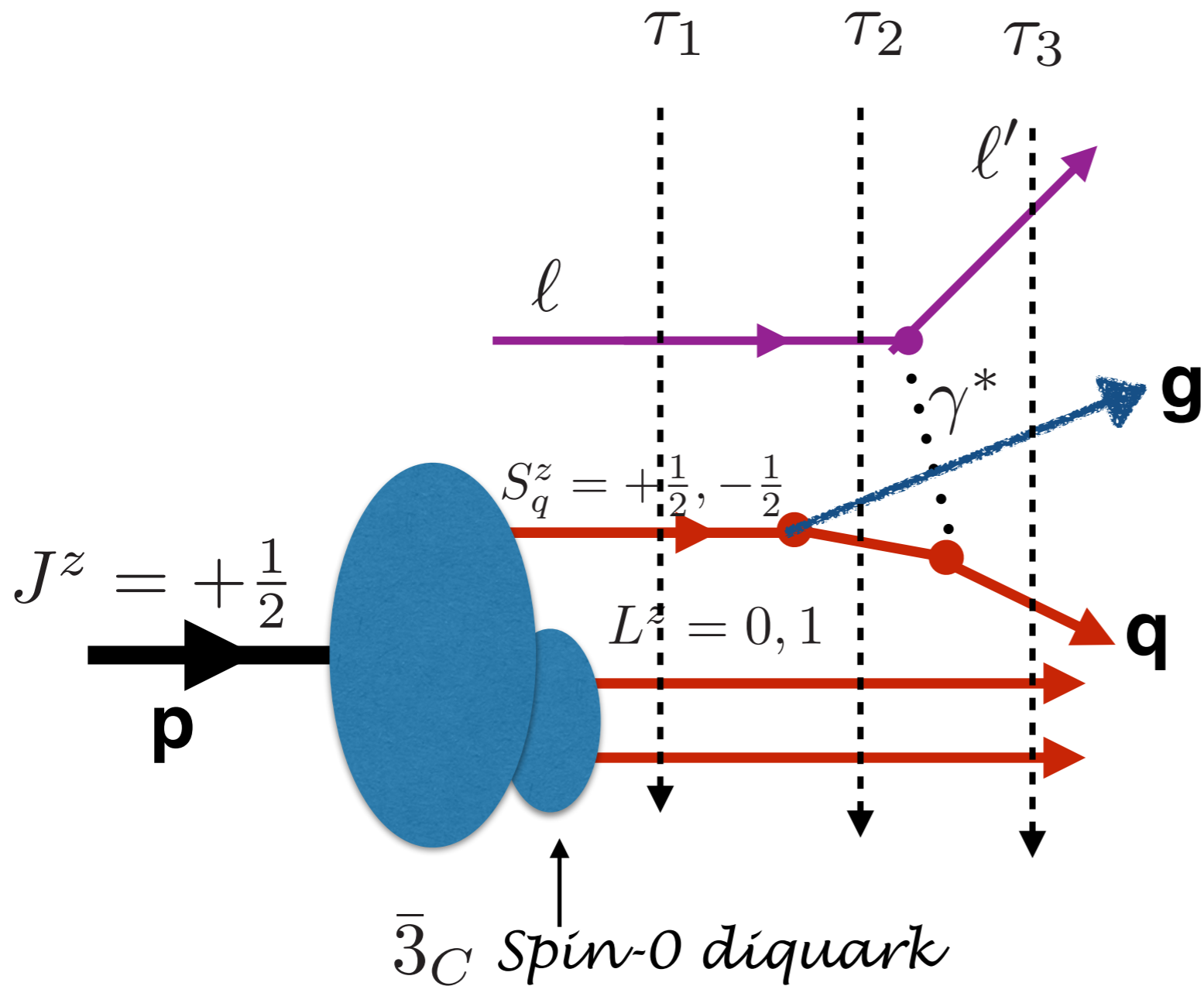
LHeC: Virtual Photon-Proton Collider

Perspective from the photon-proton collider frame



variable spacelike photon virtuality
various primary flavors
Study Ridge Phenomena with
Controlled source

Deep Inelastic Scattering on $|uud\rangle$ LF Fock state



Gluon carries away momentum and orbital angular momentum of quark

$$|p\rangle = |u[ud]_0\rangle \rightarrow |u[ud]_0g\rangle$$

In each case the gluon is emitted with $S_g^z = +1$

"Quantum Field Theory in a Nutshell"

Dreams of Exact Solvability

“In other words, if you manage to calculate m_P it better come out proportional to Λ_{QCD} since Λ_{QCD} is the only quantity with dimension of mass around.

Light-Front Holography:

Similarly for m_ρ .

$$m_p \simeq 3.21 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$$

$$m_\rho \simeq 2.2 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$$

Put in precise terms, if you publish a paper with a formula giving m_ρ/m_P in terms of pure numbers such as 2 and π , the field theory community will hail you as a conquering hero who has solved QCD exactly.”

$$\begin{aligned} (m_q = 0) \\ m_\pi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{m_\rho}{m_P} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}}{m_\rho} = 0.455 \pm 0.031$$

Hadronization at the Amplitude Level

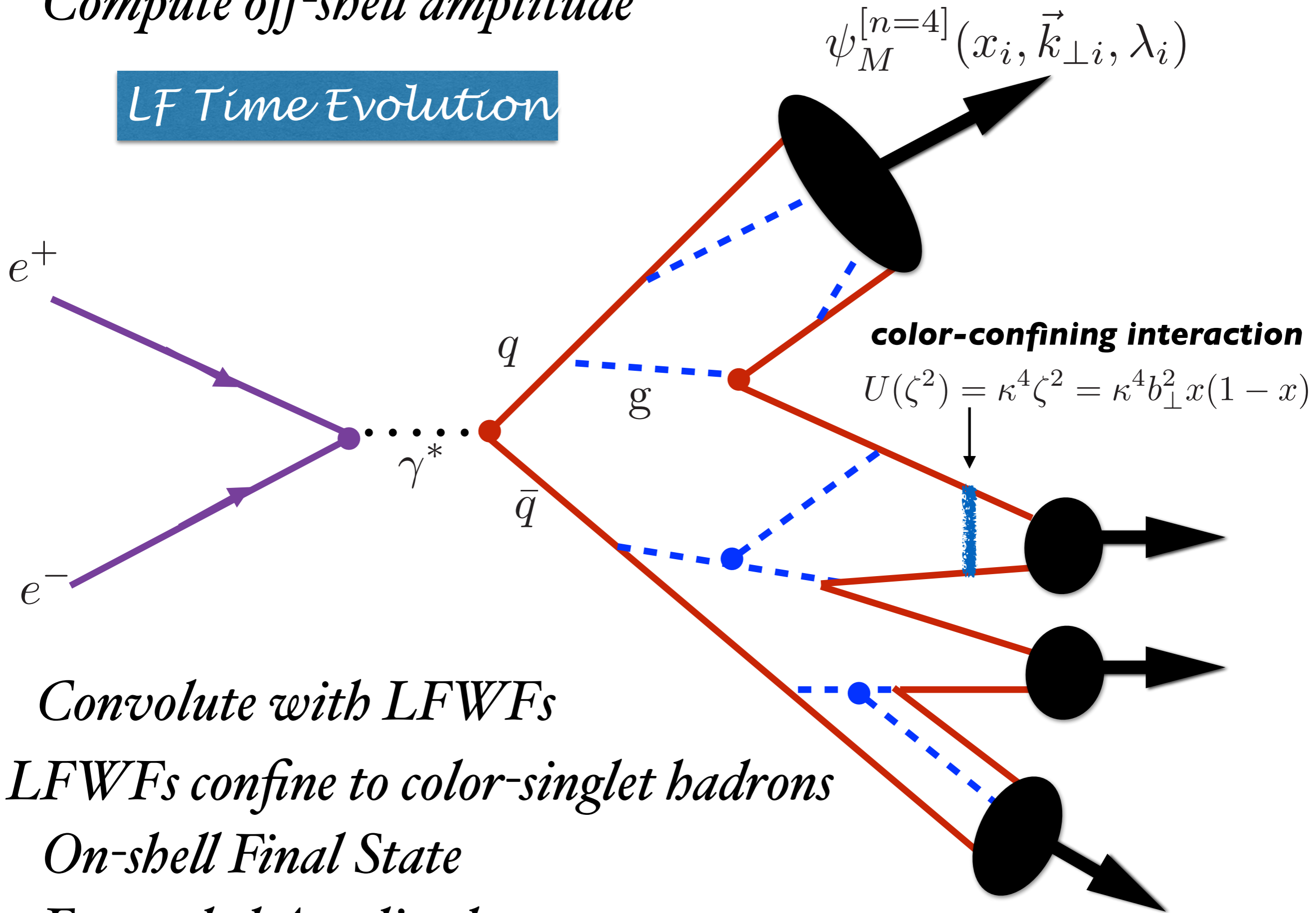
- **Quarks and Gluons are confined; do not appear as asymptotic states**
- **Hadron LFWFs: Arbitrarily Off-Shell in parton invariant mass; Fock state expansion**
- **Hadron LFWFs: Amplitudes that convert quarks and gluons to hadrons, Fock state by Fock state**
- **J^z conservation each and every state: entanglement**
- **Harmonic oscillator confinement — potential energy between colored partons grows as**

$$U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 = \kappa^4 b_{\perp}^2 x(1-x)$$

- **Must compute processes at amplitude level**

Compute off-shell amplitude

LF Time Evolution



Convolute with LFWFs

LFWFs confine to color-singlet hadrons

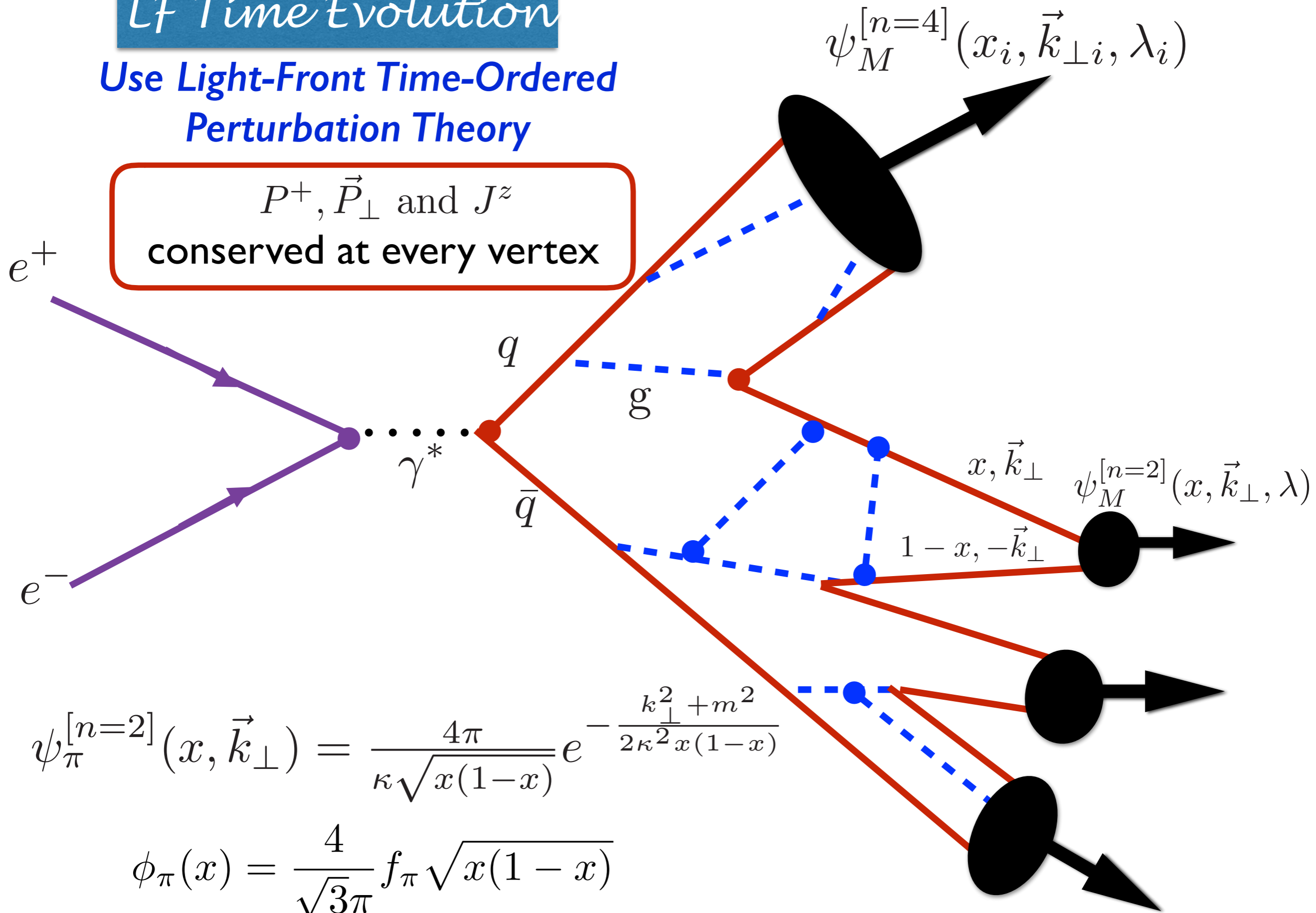
On-shell Final State

Entangled Amplitude

LF Time Evolution

Use Light-Front Time-Ordered
Perturbation Theory

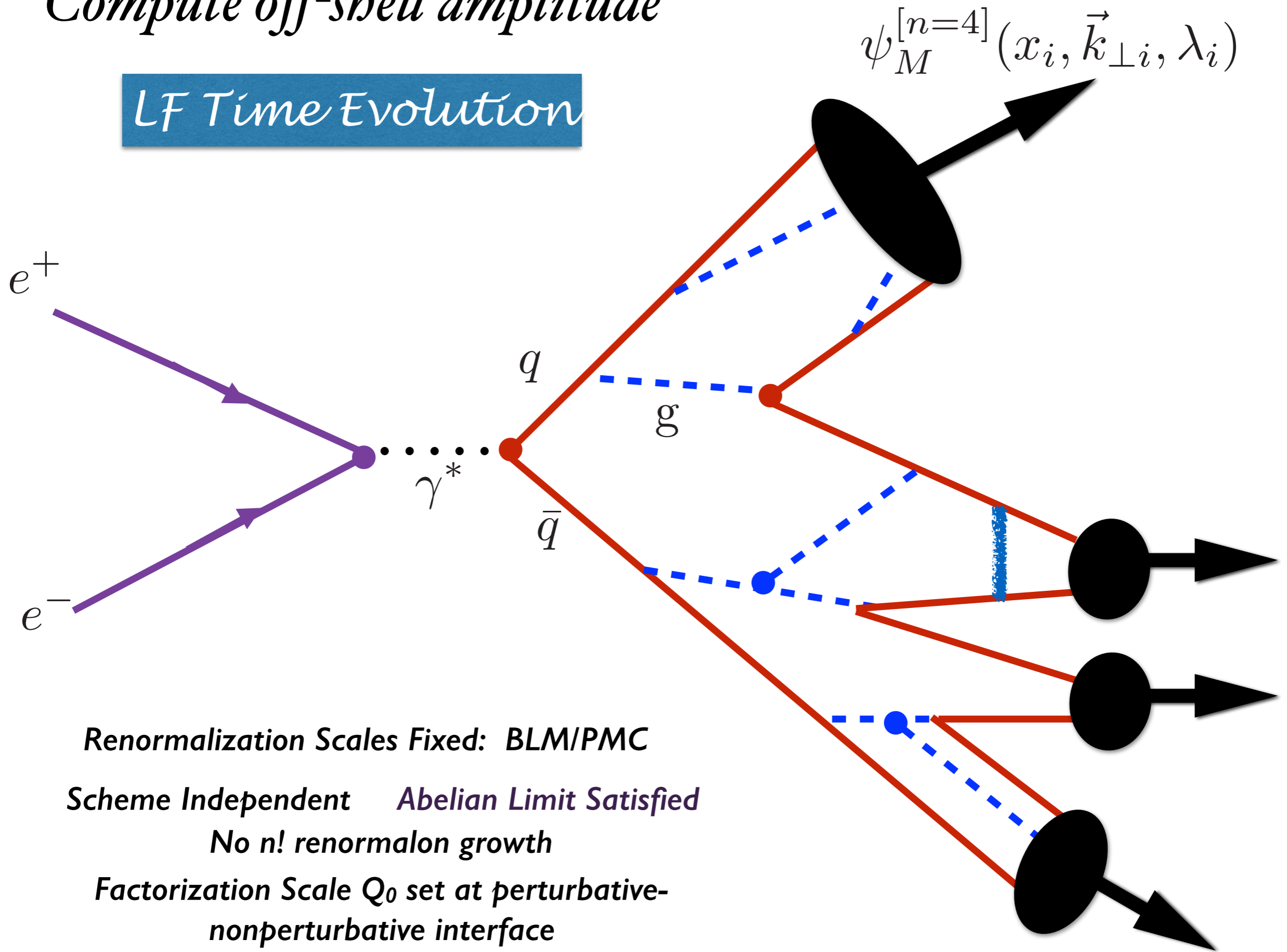
P^+ , \vec{P}_\perp and J^z
conserved at every vertex



ERBL Evolution of Distribution Amplitudes for $Q^2 > Q_0^2$

Compute off-shell amplitude

LF Time Evolution



Renormalization Scales Fixed: BLM/PMC

Scheme Independent Abelian Limit Satisfied

No $n!$ renormalon growth

Factorization Scale Q_0 set at perturbative-
nonperturbative interface

Counting Rules: Hard Exclusive Processes, $x \sim 1$

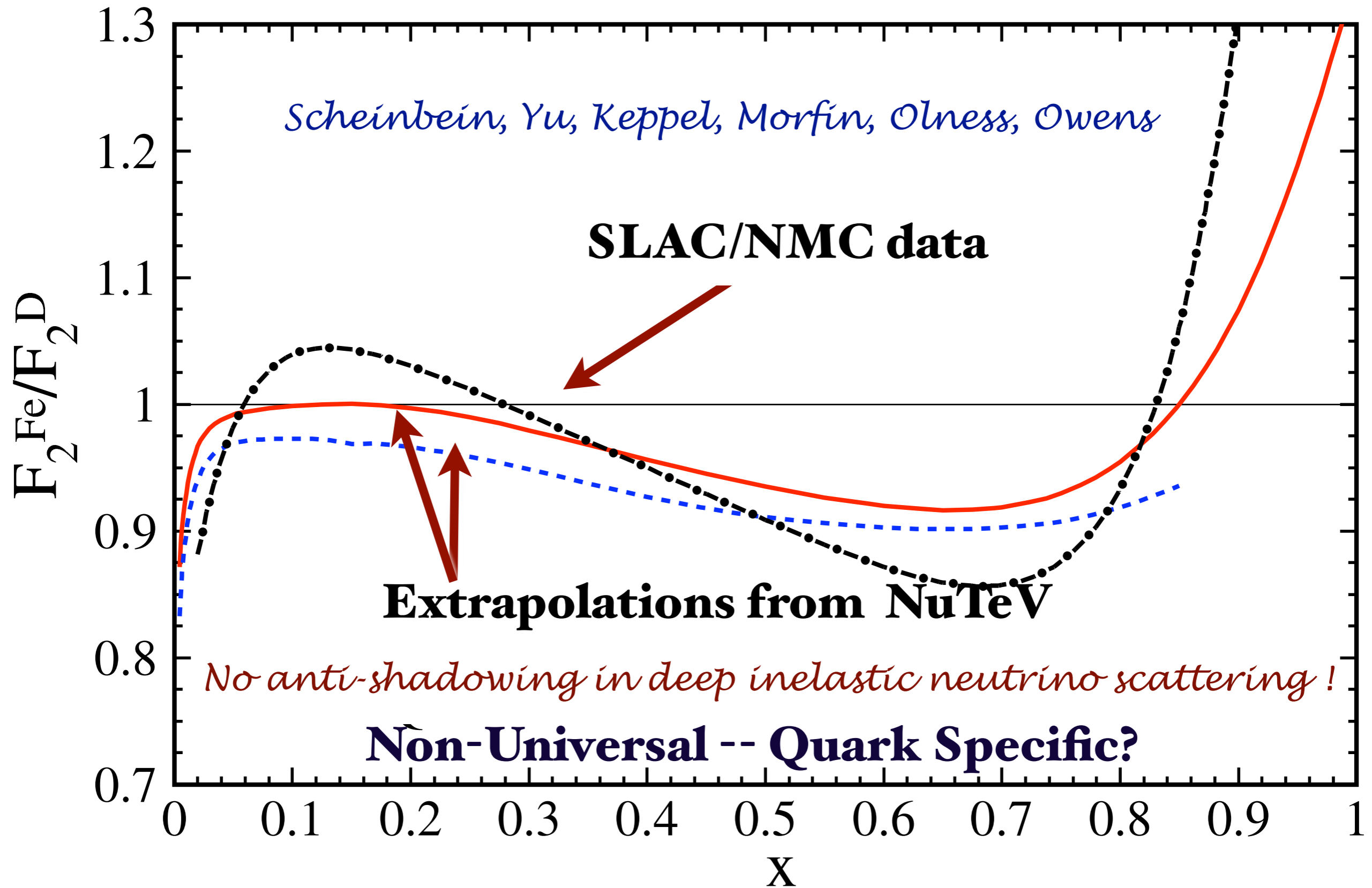
Invariance Principles of Quantum Field Theory

- **Polncarè Invariance:** Physical predictions must be independent of the observer's Lorentz frame: *Front Form*
- **Causality:** Information within causal horizon: *Front Form*
- **Gauge Invariance:** Physical predictions of gauge theories must be independent of the choice of gauge
- **Scheme-Independence:** Physical predictions of renormalizable theories must be independent of the choice of the renormalization scheme — *Principle of Maximum Conformality (PMC)*
- **Mass-Scale Invariance:** Conformal Invariance of the Action (*DAFF*)

Novel QCD

- Flavor-Dependent Anti-Shadowing
- LF Vacuum and Cosmological Constant: No QCD condensates
- Principle of Maximum Conformality (PMC): Eliminate renormalization anomaly; scheme independent
- Match Perturbative and Non-Perturbative Domains
- Hadronization at Amplitude Level
- Intrinsic Heavy Quarks from AdS/QCD: Higgs at high x_F
- Ridge from flux tube collisions
- Baryon-to-meson anomaly at high p_T

$$Q^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$$



“One of the gravest puzzles of theoretical physics”

DARK ENERGY AND THE COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT PARADOX

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$$(\Omega_{\Lambda})_{QCD} \sim 10^{45}$$

$$(\Omega_{\Lambda})_{EW} \sim 10^{56}$$

$$\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.76(\text{expt})$$

Extraordinary conflict between the conventional definition of the vacuum in quantum field theory and cosmology

Elements of the solution:

(A) Light-Front Quantization: causal, frame-independent vacuum

(B) New understanding of QCD “Condensates”

(C) Higgs Light-Front Zero Mode

Light-Front vacuum can simulate empty universe

Shrock, Tandy, Roberts, sjb

- Independent of observer frame
- Causal
- Lowest invariant mass state $M=0$.
- Trivial up to $k^+=0$ zero modes-- already normal-ordering
- Higgs theory consistent with trivial LF vacuum (Srivastava, sjb)
- QCD and AdS/QCD: “In-hadron” condensates (Maris, Tandy Roberts) -- GMOR satisfied.
- QED vacuum; no loops
- Zero cosmological constant from QED, QCD, EW

Goals

- **Test QCD to maximum precision at the LHC**
- **Maximize sensitivity to new physics**
- **High precision determination of fundamental parameters**
- **Determine renormalization scales without ambiguity**
- **Eliminate scheme dependence**

Predictions for physical observables cannot depend on theoretical conventions such as the renormalization scheme

QCD Principles

- **Extended Conformal Invariance: AdS/QCD** $\kappa \rightarrow C\kappa$
- **Chiral QCD only predicts mass ratios**
- **Supersymmetric Features of QCD: Superconformal algebra**
- **Unique Confinement Potential, Nonperturbative Running Coupling**
- **Physics Independent of Observer Frame: LF!**
- **Physics Independent of Conventions such as $\overline{\text{MS}}$: PMC**
- **Zero Cosmological Constant for Causal Frame-Independent LF Vacuum**
- **Leading Twist Factorization-Breaking Corrections from ISI, FSI**
- **Nuclear Shadowing and Antishadowing not in nuclear LFWF**
- **Nuclear PDFs do not obey sum rules**



Systematic All-Orders Method to Eliminate Renormalization-Scale and Scheme Ambiguities in Perturbative QCD

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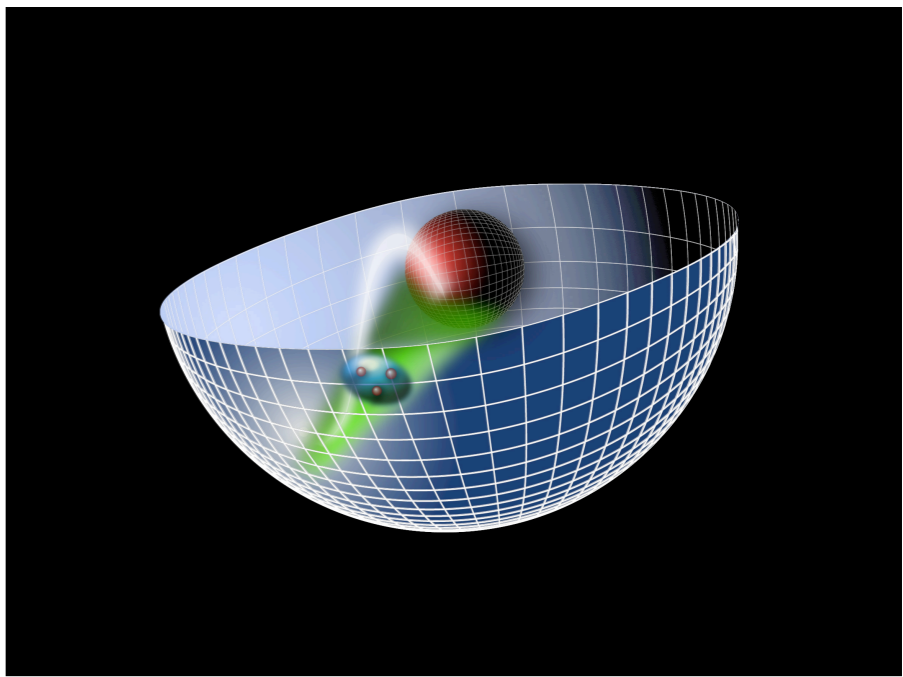
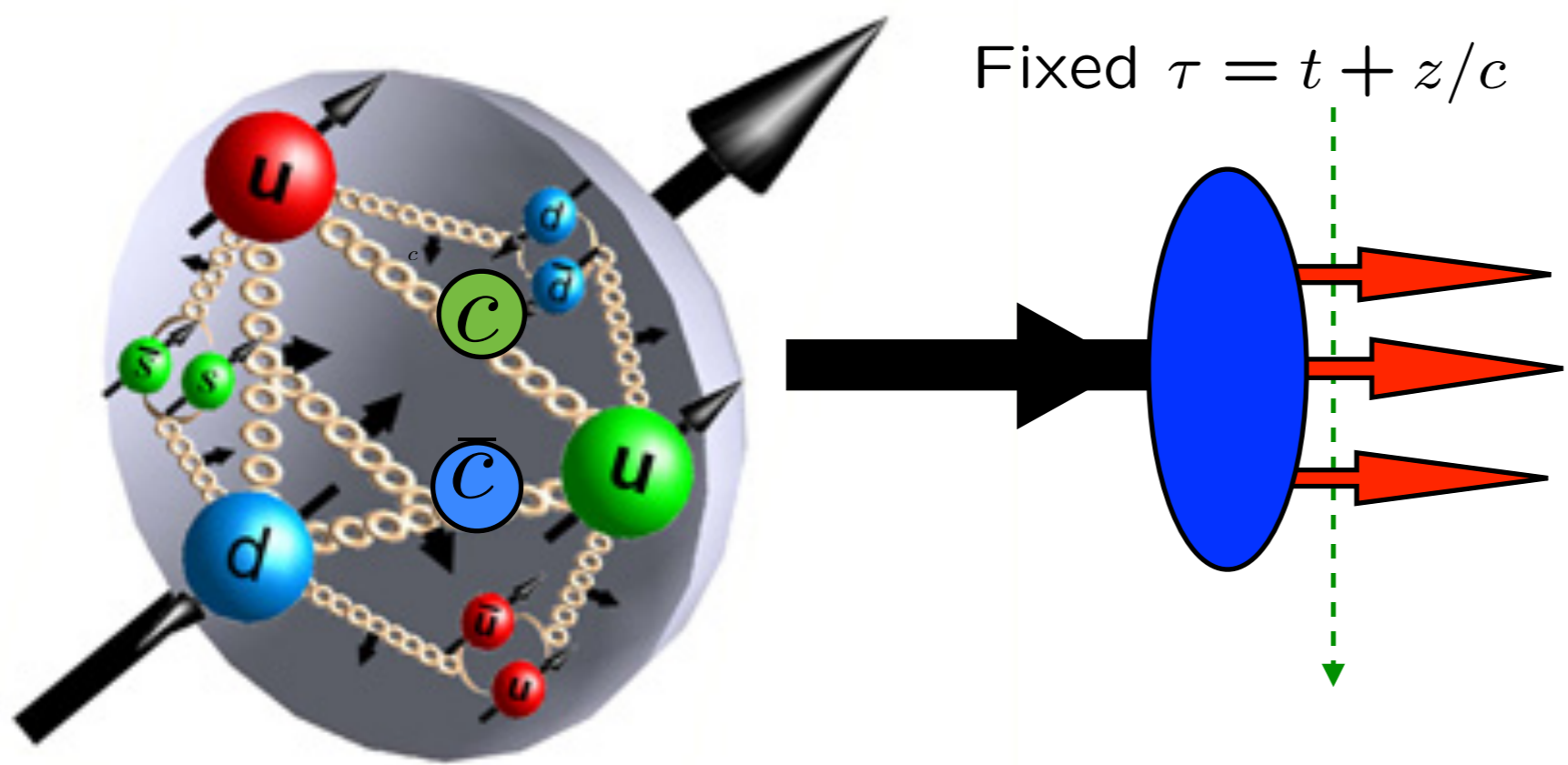
We introduce a generalization of the conventional renormalization schemes used in dimensional regularization, which illuminates the renormalization scheme and scale ambiguities of perturbative QCD predictions, exposes the general pattern of nonconformal $\{\beta_i\}$ terms, and reveals a special degeneracy of the terms in the perturbative coefficients. It allows us to systematically determine the argument of the running coupling order by order in perturbative QCD in a form which can be readily automatized. The new method satisfies all of the principles of the renormalization group and eliminates an unnecessary source of systematic error.

Principle of Maximum Conformality (PMC)

Features of BLM/PMC

- **Predictions are scheme-independent**
- **Matches conformal series**
- **Commensurate Scale Relations between observables: Generalized Crewther Relation (Kataev, Lu, Rathsmann, sjb)**
- **No $n!$ Renormalon growth**
- **New scale at each order; n_F determined at each order**
- **Multiple Physical Scales Incorporated**
- **Rigorous: Satisfies all Renormalization Group Principles**
- **Realistic Estimate of Higher-Order Terms**
- **Eliminates unnecessary theory error**

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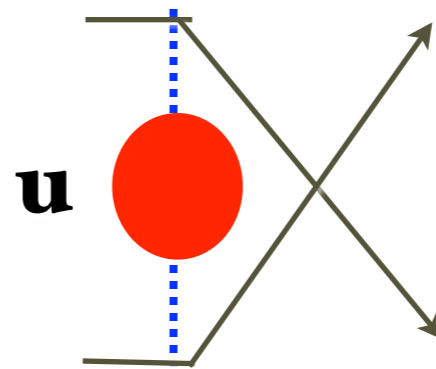
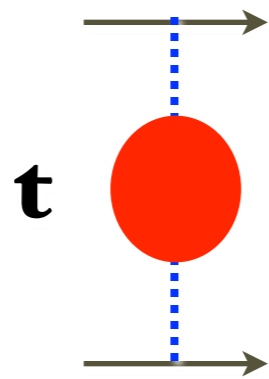
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Electron-Electron Scattering in QED

$$\mathcal{M}_{ee \rightarrow ee}(++; ++)=\frac{8\pi s}{t}\alpha(t)+\frac{8\pi s}{u}\alpha(u)$$



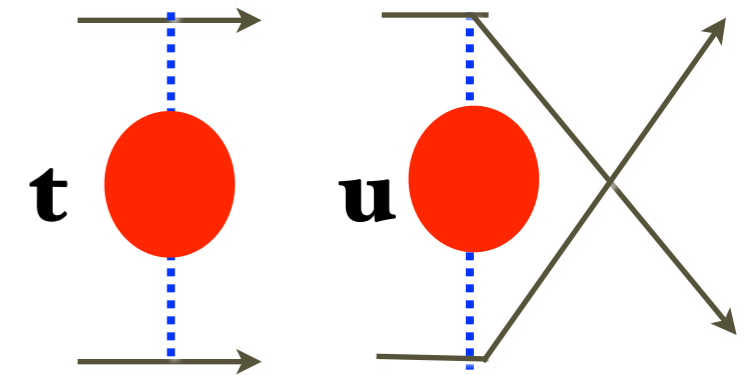
$$\alpha(t)=\frac{\alpha(0)}{1-\Pi(t)}$$

Gell-Mann--Low Effective Charge

Electron-Electron Scattering in QED

$$\mathcal{M}_{ee \rightarrow ee}(++; ++)=\frac{8\pi s}{t}\alpha(t)+\frac{8\pi s}{u}\alpha(u)$$

- **Two separate physical scales: $t, u =$ photon virtuality**
- **Gauge Invariant. Dressed photon propagator**
- **Sums all vacuum polarization, non-zero beta terms into running coupling. This is the purpose of the running coupling!**
- **If one chooses a different initial scale, one must sum an infinite number of graphs -- but always recover same result!**
- **Number of active leptons correctly set**
- **Analytic: reproduces correct behavior at lepton mass thresholds**
- **No renormalization scale ambiguity!**



δ - \mathcal{R} enormalization Scheme (\mathcal{R}_δ scheme)

In dim. reg. $1/\epsilon$ poles come in powers of [Bollini & Gambiagi, 't Hooft & Veltman, '72]

$$\ln \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} + c$$

In the **modified minimal subtraction** scheme ($\overline{\text{MS}}$ -bar) one subtracts together with the pole a constant [Bardeen, Buras, Duke, Muta (1978) on DIS results]:

$$\ln(4\pi) - \gamma_E$$

This corresponds to a shift in the scale:

$$\mu_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^2 = \mu^2 \exp(\ln 4\pi - \gamma_E)$$

A finite subtraction from infinity is arbitrary. *Let's make use of this!*

Subtract an arbitrary constant and keep it in your calculation: \mathcal{R}_δ -scheme

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$$\ln(4\pi) - \gamma_E - \delta,$$

$$\mu_\delta^2 = \mu_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^2 \exp(-\delta) = \mu^2 \exp(\ln 4\pi - \gamma_E - \delta)$$

Exposing the Renormalization Scheme Dependence

Observable in the \mathcal{R}_δ -scheme:

$$\rho_\delta(Q^2) = r_0 + r_1 a(\mu) + [r_2 + \beta_0 r_1 \delta] a(\mu)^2 + [r_3 + \beta_1 r_1 \delta + 2\beta_0 r_2 \delta + \beta_0^2 r_1 \delta^2] a(\mu)^3 + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{R}_0 = \overline{\text{MS}}, \quad \mathcal{R}_{\ln 4\pi - \gamma_E} = \text{MS} \quad \mu^2 = \mu_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^2 \exp(\ln 4\pi - \gamma_E), \quad \mu_{\delta_2}^2 = \mu_{\delta_1}^2 \exp(\delta_2 - \delta_1)$$

Note the divergent 'renormalon series' $n! \beta^n \alpha_s^n$

Renormalization Scheme Equation

$$\frac{d\rho}{d\delta} = -\beta(a) \frac{d\rho}{da} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \longrightarrow \text{PMC}$$

$$\rho_\delta(Q^2) = r_0 + r_1 a_1(\mu_1) + (r_2 + \beta_0 r_1 \delta_1) a_2(\mu_2)^2 + [r_3 + \beta_1 r_1 \delta_1 + 2\beta_0 r_2 \delta_2 + \beta_0^2 r_1 \delta_1^2] a_3(\mu_3)^3$$

The $\delta_k^p a^n$ -term indicates the term associated to a diagram with $1/\epsilon^{n-k}$ divergence for any p . Grouping the different δ_k -terms, one recovers in the $N_c \rightarrow 0$ Abelian limit the dressed skeleton expansion.

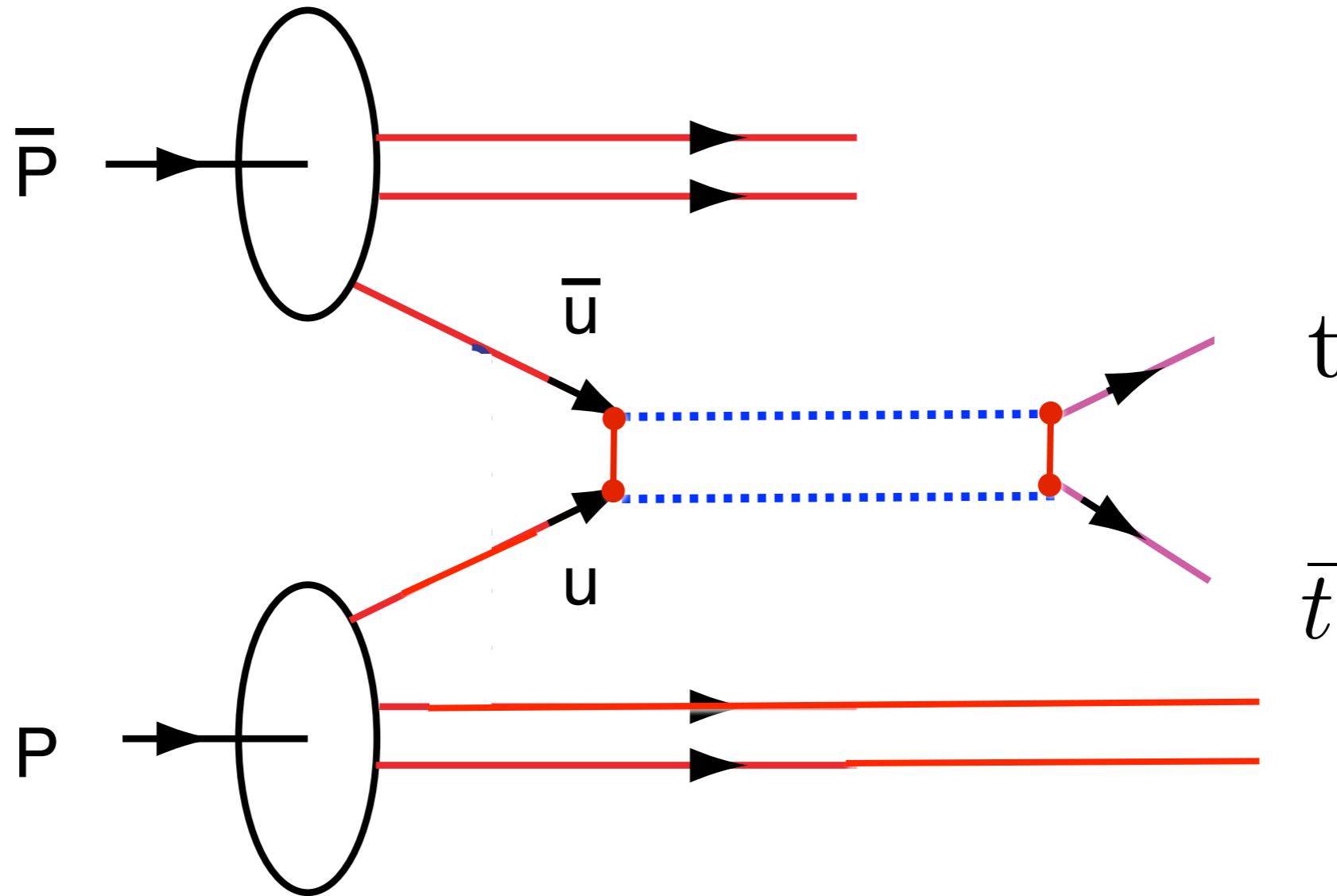
General result for an observable in any \mathcal{R}_δ renormalization scheme:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(Q^2) = & r_{0,0} + r_{1,0}a(Q) + [r_{2,0} + \beta_0 r_{2,1}]a(Q)^2 \\ & + [r_{3,0} + \beta_1 r_{2,1} + 2\beta_0 r_{3,1} + \beta_0^2 r_{3,2}]a(Q)^3 \\ & + [r_{4,0} + \beta_2 r_{2,1} + 2\beta_1 r_{3,1} + \frac{5}{2}\beta_1\beta_0 r_{3,2} + 3\beta_0 r_{4,1} \\ & + 3\beta_0^2 r_{4,2} + \beta_0^3 r_{4,3}]a(Q)^4 + \mathcal{O}(a^5) \end{aligned}$$

PMC scales thus satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} r_{1,0}a(Q_1) &= r_{1,0}a(Q) - \beta(a)r_{2,1} \\ r_{2,0}a(Q_2)^2 &= r_{2,0}a(Q)^2 - 2a(Q)\beta(a)r_{3,1} \\ r_{3,0}a(Q_2)^3 &= r_{3,0}a(Q)^3 - 3a(Q)^2\beta(a)r_{4,1} \\ &\vdots \\ r_{k,0}a(Q_k)^k &= r_{k,0}a(Q)^k - k a(Q)^{k-1}\beta(a)r_{k+1,1} \end{aligned}$$

Implications for the $\bar{p}p \rightarrow t\bar{t}X$ asymmetry at the Tevatron



Interferes with Born term.

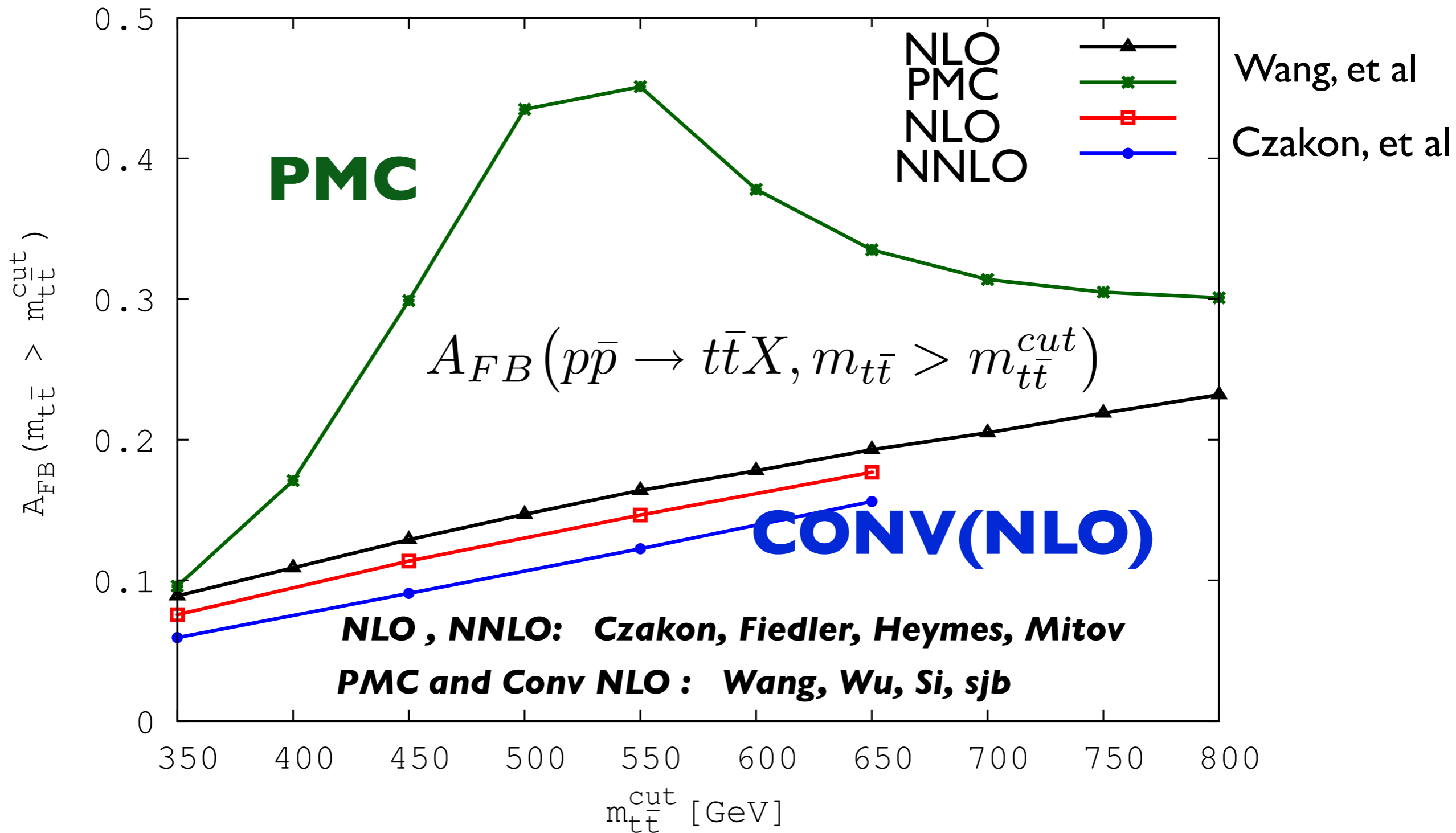
Smaller value of renormalization scale increases asymmetry, just as in QED

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NNLO QCD predictions for fully-differential top-quark pair production at the Tevatron

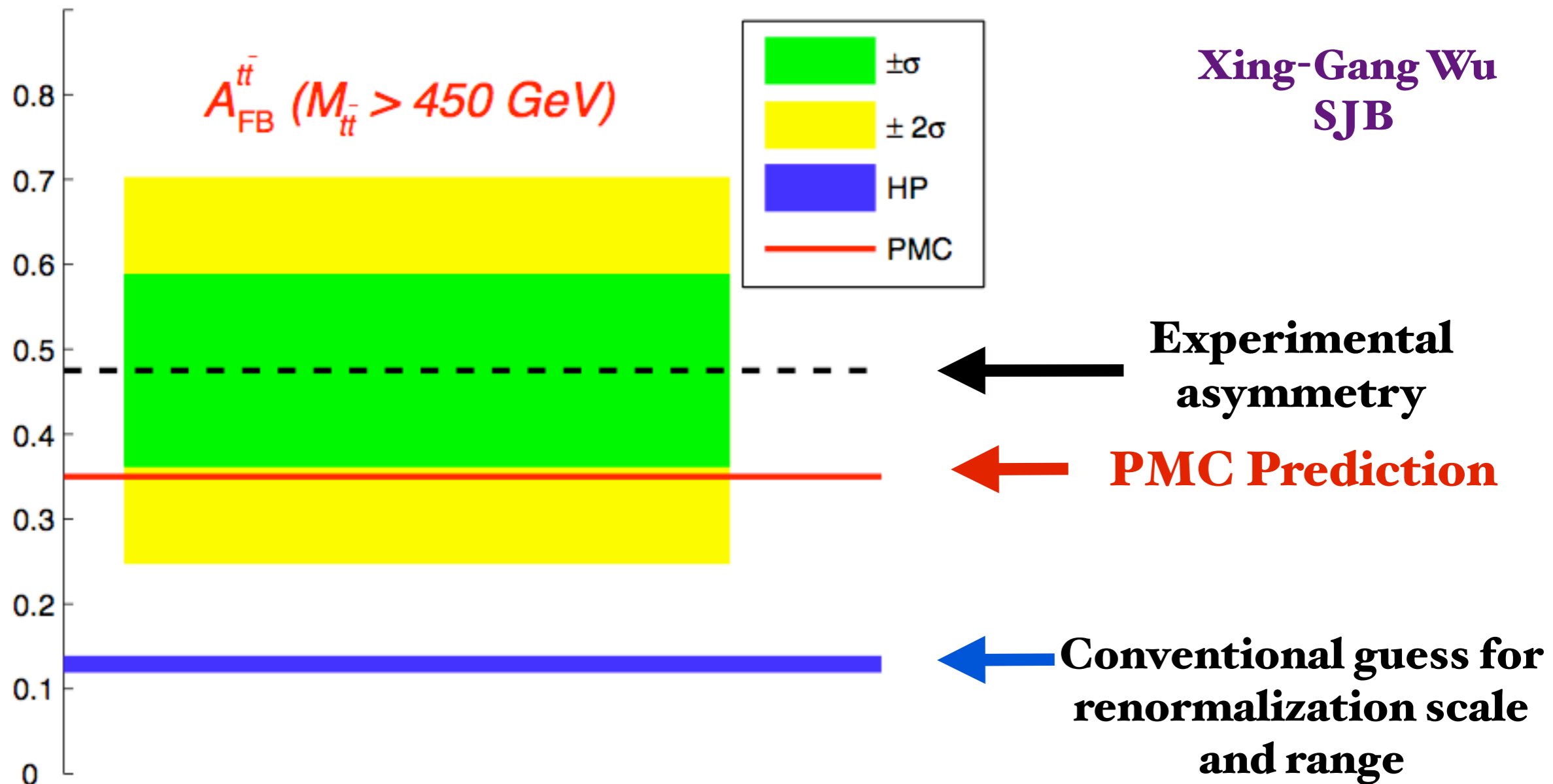
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Predictions for the cumulative front-back asymmetry.

The Renormalization Scale Ambiguity for Top-Pair Production Eliminated Using the 'Principle of Maximum Conformality' (PMC)



Top quark forward-backward asymmetry predicted by pQCD NNLO within 1σ of CDF/D0 measurements using PMC/BLM scale setting

Set multiple renormalization scales -- Lensing, DGLAP, ERBL Evolution ...

Choose renormalization scheme; e.g. $\alpha_s^R(\mu_R^{\text{init}})$

Choose μ_R^{init} ; arbitrary initial renormalization scale

Identify β_i via δ -dependence

Shift scale of α_s to μ_R^{PMC} to eliminate $\{\beta_i^R\}$ - terms

Conformal Series

Result is independent of μ_R^{init} and scheme at fixed order

PMC/BLM

No renormalization scale ambiguity!

*Result is independent of
Renormalization scheme
and initial scale!*

QED Scale Setting at $N_C=0$

**Eliminates unnecessary
systematic uncertainty**

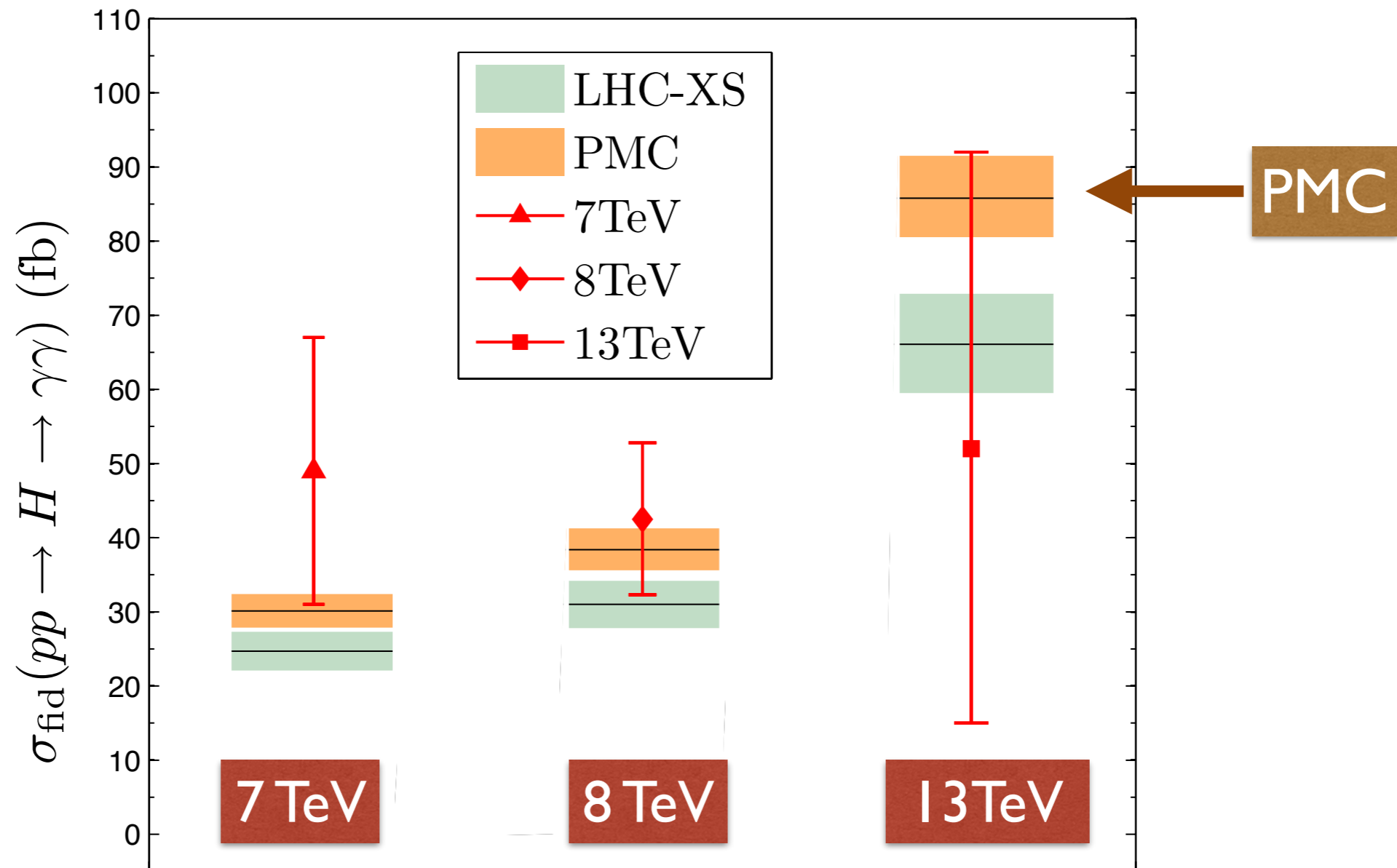
Scale fixed at each order

**δ -Scheme automatically
identifies β -terms!**

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Principle of Maximum Conformality

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow H X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma X)$$



Comparison of the PMC predictions for the fiducial cross section $\sigma_{\text{fid}}(pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ with the ATLAS measurements at various collision energies. The LHC-XS predictions are presented as a comparison.

$\sigma_{\text{fid}}(pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	7 TeV	8 TeV	13 TeV
ATLAS data [48]	49 ± 18	$42.5^{+10.3}_{-10.2}$	52^{+40}_{-37}
LHC-XS [3]	24.7 ± 2.6	31.0 ± 3.2	$66.1^{+6.8}_{-6.6}$
PMC prediction	$30.1^{+2.3}_{-2.2}$	$38.4^{+2.9}_{-2.8}$	$85.8^{+5.7}_{-5.3}$

$$C_F = \frac{N_C^2 - 1}{2N_C}$$

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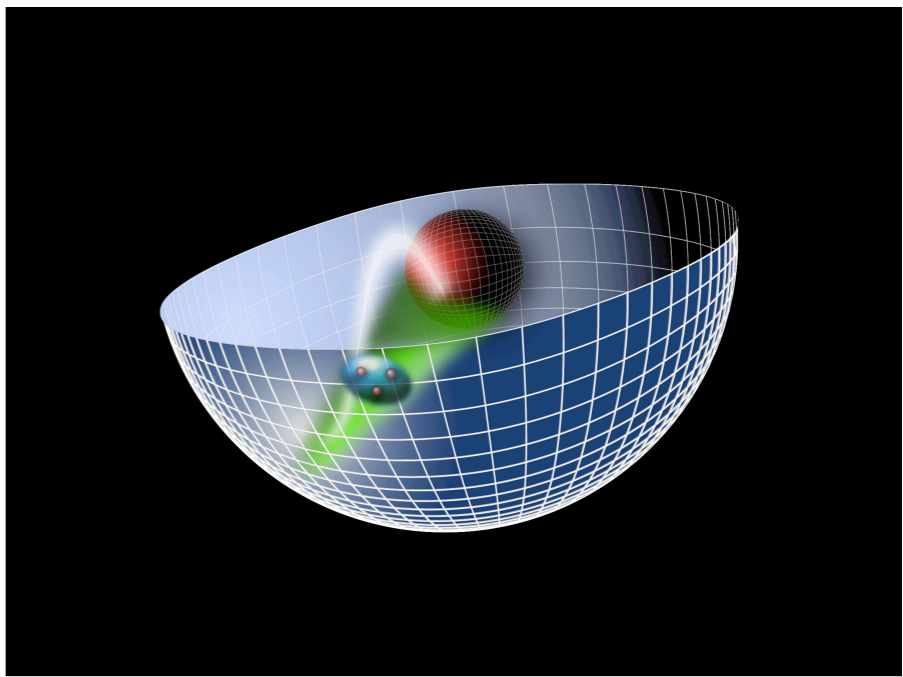
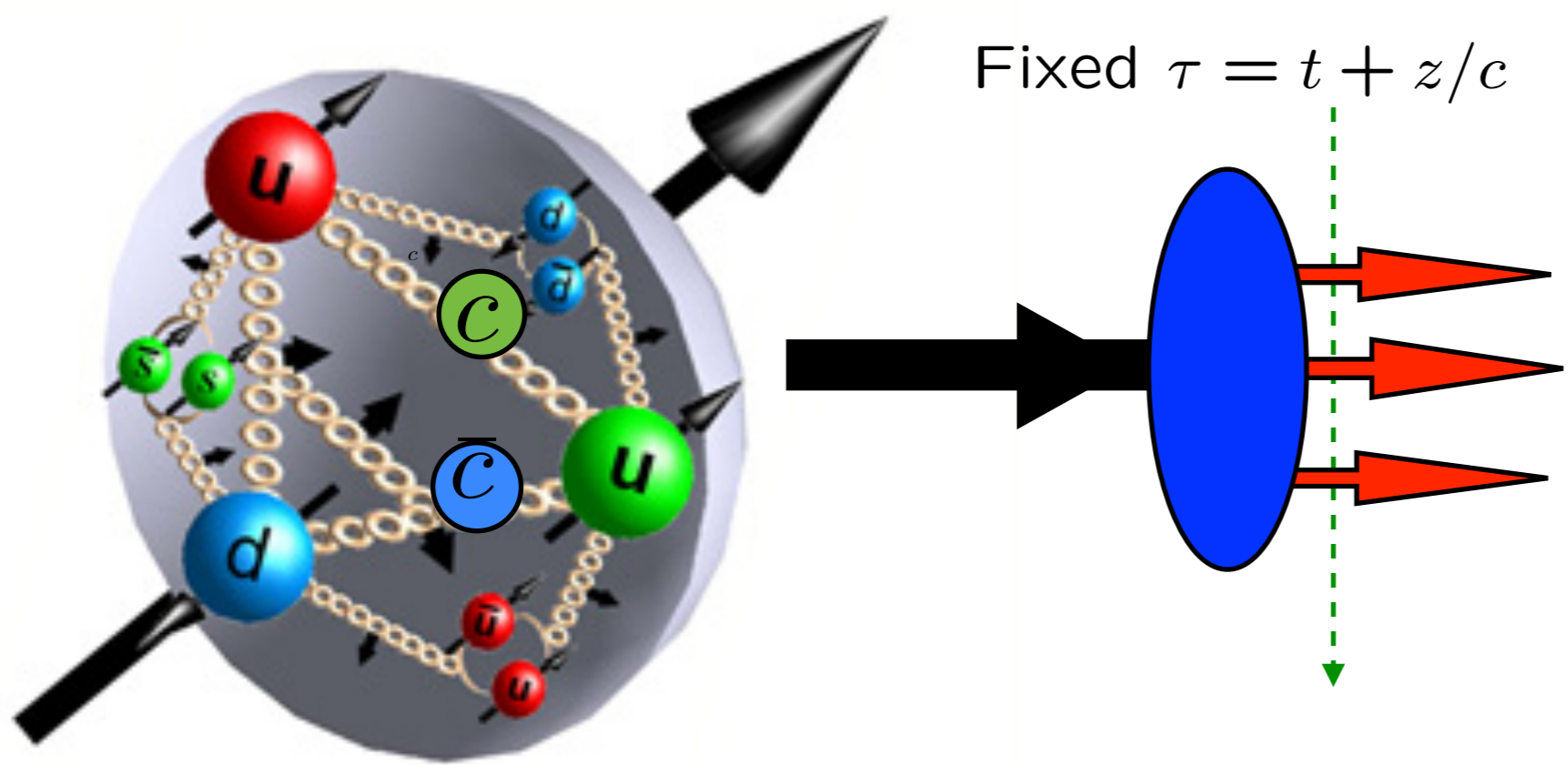
$\lim N_C \rightarrow 0$ at fixed $\alpha = C_F \alpha_s, n_\ell = n_F / C_F$

QCD \rightarrow Abelian Gauge Theory

Analytic Feature of SU(Nc) Gauge Theory

*Scale-Setting procedure for QCD
must be applicable to QED*

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